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The retail space inside One Hanson Place, originally the Williamsburgh Savings Bank, has been landmarked and cannot be changed much.

## APPLE OF THEIR EYE

Microsoft 'banks' on Bklyn for first store

By Gersh Kuntzman  
The Brooklyn Paper

Forget the Apple store — what about the nation's first Microsoft store?

That's what the new brokers at One Hanson Place say might be moving into one of the borough's premier retail spaces, the former Williamsburgh Savings Bank in the renovated residential building's ground floor.

"We've talked to Apple about opening their first Brooklyn store, and we've also talked to Microsoft about opening the first retail store," said Faith Hope Consolo, chairwoman of Prudential Douglas Elliman's retail leasing and sales division.

Consolo said the soaring, 33,000-square-foot, two-level site — which cannot be altered because it's landmarked — represents "a great opportunity" to bring "top level retail" to the confluence of Fort Greene, Downtown and Park Slope.

She said her company, which will lease the former bank space for \$2 million per year or sell outright as a single "commercial condo," has been talking to other high-end outfits, including Barneys, Sory and the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

She would not reveal the selling price.

A rendering put out by the company depicted an upscale-looking Pottery Barn, but Consolo cautioned against taking the mock-up literally.

But she is pushing retail at the site, which once came close to becoming a huge Borders bookstore.

"I think they wasted too much time on the Borders deal, frankly," Consolo said. "A bookstore would have been nice, but the book business has changed. It's not an option now."

With its two-story windows, 55-foot ceilings and Gilded-Age interior, the store won't appeal to every retailer, Consolo admitted. But it will appeal to the right one.

"This is about aesthetics and image," she said. "That space has drama! Drama!"

"People compromise space for price in their apartments, so why shouldn't our retail be exciting?" she added.

Apple, which once looked as if it might open its first Brooklyn store at One Hanson Place, is now rumored to be looking in Williamsburg and Downtown.

The maker of the Macintosh computer, iPods and the iPhone sells software, hardware and computer wizardry at the "Genius Bar" inside its jam-packed stores in Manhattan and Staten Island. But it is yet to open an outlet in Brooklyn, despite the fact that 20 percent of BrooklynPaper.com visitors work on a Mac, which encompasses less than seven percent of the personal computer market.



Brokers at One Hanson Place say they've talked to Apple and Microsoft about the ground-floor retail space.

Microsoft, by comparison, does not have retail outlets (not counting the Mother's Day photo studio that the company set up last month on Montague Street in Brooklyn Heights). The company does not manufacture personal computers, but does offer a range of devices, including Zune MP3 players and Xbox game systems. And it produces the world's leading computer operating system and software — Windows and Office.

## Mac vs. PC

News that both Apple and Microsoft were considering opening a retail store in the Williamsburgh Savings Bank building prompted us to create our own Mac vs. PC smack-down:

The Apple Store	IN THIS CORNER	The Microsoft Store
Over 200 nationwide	Locations	Zero
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Downtown, Williamsburg and One Hanson Place	Scouting locations in	One Hanson Place
Steve Jobs	Evil genius	Bill Gates
Genius Bar	Help desk	Clippy's Lounge

## NETS TO STAY IN NJ?

Ratner, Devils owner meet about Newark

By Gersh Kuntzman  
The Brooklyn Paper

Bruce Ratner and his executives have met with New Jersey investors and officials about a plan that would keep the developer's Brooklyn-bound Nets in the Garden State, the Newark Star-Ledger reported this week.

According to the newspaper, the owner of the Devils hockey team has met with Ratner, while Newark Mayor Cory Booker has met with executives at Forest City Ratner in hopes of assembling a group of investors to buy the team from Ratner and move it to Newark's brand new Prudential Center.

Ratner's talks with Devils owner Jeffrey Vanderbeek and Booker are "open-ended," the newspaper reported.

Forest City Ratner's Manhattan-based spokesman Howard Rubenstein issued a blanket denial of the Star-Ledger bombshell.

"The team is absolutely not for sale," Rubenstein said. "We're inches away from completing the deal in Brooklyn."

That said, Ratner did announce last month that he had downsized Atlantic Yards from a 16-skycraper, office and basketball arena complex to just a few smaller towers and the arena. And the Star-Ledger story suggests that even the publicly financed stadium at the corner of Atlantic and Flat-

bush avenues may now be in jeopardy.

"This is like a death watch [in Brooklyn]," New Jersey's state Senate President, and former governor, Richard Codey told the Star-Ledger, referring to the delays that have pushed back

the supposed opening day at a Brooklyn arena from the 2007 season to the 2010 season.

"Not a single piling has gone in the ground," Codey pointed out.

And Carl Goldberg, chairman of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Au-

thority, said he knows why.

"The cost of steel and concrete and the challenges of building a facility that nature over the railroads are becoming more difficult," he said in February. "The likelihood of the Nets actually building a new facility in

Brooklyn and leaving our facility ... is diminishing by the moment."

Ratner has blamed the nation's ongoing financial crisis for the downsizing and for the soaring cost of the publicly financed basketball See **NETS** on page 13



## Marty's a stretch!

Photo of the week! Borough President Markowitz (the guy with the Brooklyn Cyclones cap) participated in a tai chi session in Prospect Park last Saturday to mark "World Tai Chi Day." The session was led by Park Slope Tai Chi Chuan Master Tzyann Hsu.

## 'Park' pool floats to Bronx



The Floating Pool Lady, in happier times along the Brooklyn waterfront. This summer, she will be in the South Bridge.

By Gersh Kuntzman  
The Brooklyn Paper

The Bronx has successfully stolen away the Floating Pool from Brooklyn.

After a hugely successful run on the Brooklyn Heights waterfront last summer, the so-called Floating Pool Lady barge will spend this summer moored alongside Baretto Point Park in the South Bronx, a Parks Department official told The Brooklyn Paper this week.

"Our intention was always to spread it around the city," said Parks spokesman Phil Abramson.

No one was more pleased than Rep. Joe Serrano (D-Bronx), who fought to get the pool to his district.

"Our Community Board 2 is the only one in the city without a swimming pool — public or private," Serrano said. "The Floating Pool will be a singular destination."

The pool certainly performed that function for Brooklyn. From July 4-Sept. 3, 49,494 people took a dunk — 72 percent of whom were from Brooklyn.

But Serrano was unmoved. "The Bronx is only a subway ride away" the congressman crowed.

For its part, the Brooklyn Bridge Park Conservancy said it was saddened.

"While we are disappointed," the agency said in a statement, "we're pleased that our neighbors in the Bronx will get to enjoy The Floating Pool Lady." Less-polite Brooklynites offered a Bronx cheer.

"This is an abomination," said Brooklyn patriot Ron Grossman, who was a regular pool user last summer. "For three months, there really was a Brooklyn Bridge Park. This summer, it'll be just a bunch of old piers again. Thanks, Bronx."

## Il barbiere di Sunset Park

By Simon Doolittle  
for The Brooklyn Paper

The wooden cash register in Tony's Park Barber Shop in Sunset Park perpetually reads \$2. Long ago the prices exceeded the cash register's ability to count. So when Tony Garofalo rings up a \$10 haircut, he taps the metal \$2 key five times, the register's bell ringing with each tap.

Since he bought the place in 1964, Garofalo has changed as little as possible. His barber's license still has the original black and white photo from 1963. And he still finishes up his haircuts using warm shaving cream and a straight razor.

Don't be fooled; Garofalo is not stuck in 1963. As the neighborhood has changed around him, this Italian immigrant who arrived without a word of English has adapted as the neighborhood changed. Today, he still fits right in.

"We understand," said Garofalo of Italian-Americans. "We were there before."

Elvis Guzman, a longtime customer, came into the store unshaven and wanting a haircut for a job interview the following day. Short on money, he asked Garofalo for a discount.

At first, it seemed that Garofalo's understanding had reached its limit: "What are you begging?"



Tony Garofalo has owned the old-school barbershop on Fifth Avenue in Sunset Park for more than 40 years. Here, Edwin Martinez gets a trim.

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# Mother's Day gifts

## Natural beauty products at Korres on Montague St.



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**Korres Natural Products USA** just opened on Montague Street!

This store is loaded with all-natural beauty products your mother will love: illuminating bronzing powder, and water-melon tinted moisturizer (S.P.F. 30), to name a few. Korres developed a chain of stores from the first homeopathic pharmacy in Athens, Greece, and its products are completely free of any harmful synthetics. Instead, the brand blends herbs with pharmaceutical properties, like calendula, echinacea, and hyacinth to create amazing everyday products.

Korres' also uses Greek flora and herbs (thyme, basil, and rosemary), food ingredients (yogurt and watercress), and other natural raw ingredients. Korres' Natural Products USA, as a result, is a high-end, natural beauty collection that works to rejuvenate and nurture your skin, hair and body. The store's interior resembles a bazaar with oversized palette counters, with contemporary design twists.

Korres Natural Products USA, is at 140 Montague St. between Henry and Clinton Streets in Brooklyn Heights. Open Monday through Friday 10 am to 8 pm, Saturday 10 am to 7 pm, Sunday noon to 6 pm. All major credit cards.

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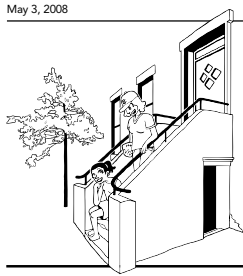
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## NEIGHBORHOOD REPORT

### RED HOOK



American Stevedoring has a new lease on life.

## Port to stay put

By Mike McLaughlin  
The Brooklyn Paper

The company operating the last active shipping docks in Brooklyn will remain on the Columbia Street waterfront for 10 more years — a victory over city officials who had once sought to evict them to make room for housing, a maritime attraction and a beer garden.

American Stevedoring Incorporated, the shipping company running four piers, signed the 10-year lease with the Port Authority last week.

Such a deal seemed improbable before the Bloomberg administration dropped its effort last fall to cast off American Stevedoring from the piers, which are between Atlantic and Hamilton avenues, to create a luxury waterfront of housing, hotels, marina and a Brooklyn Brewery garden.

That idea eventually sank after opposition from elected officials, who criticized the mayor's halfhearted cruise terminal on two piers that were previously operated by American Stevedoring for producing only a smattering of full-time jobs, rather than the hundreds Bloomberg promised.

American Stevedoring's friends applauded the deal. "As we grow and the need for jobs and freight increases, it is heartening to know that the port will be around for years to come," said Councilman David Viskay (D-Brooklyn Heights).

The company says it employs over 600 full-time employees in Brooklyn, but critics say the number is closer to 160.

### COBBLE HILL

## A long rest for LI Restaurant

By Merritt Gurley  
The Brooklyn Paper

When the Long Island Restaurant, a decades-old fixture at the corner of Atlantic Avenue and Henry Street, closed in August, a note on the door suggested the eatery was just shuttered for a short vacation.

It's now a nine-month reprieve.

The three owners — Emma, Maria and Pepita Sullivan — had shut it down to spend the fall in their home country of Spain.

But tragedy struck. The fall trip extended into winter and then spring after the family matriarch, who is in her 100s, fell and became bedridden, said Brandie Burns, a Sullivan family friend.

Then, one of the Sullivan sisters' sons died, extending the delays.

"It is heartbreaking," said Burns. "They are all broken up right now."

The Long Island Restaurant has been a favorite neighborhood haunt for 56 years and locals eagerly await its reopening.

Indeed, the place looks ready to open at any time — a disrag and glasses are still on the bar, as if the place was closed for the night.

The eatery's neon sign,



The Long Island Restaurant has been closed for months — and no one knows what's up.

could go to just hang out and relax," said Burns, who added that Emma, Maria and Pepita's kids are "busy doing their own thing" and have little interest in carrying on the family tradition.

Burns said the Sullivans remain "hopeful about reopening." "They'll never sell it," he said.

"It was the kinda place you

### BKLYN HEIGHTS



The Montague Street Japanese Business Improvement District has installed these Japanese-style lanterns.

## Montague gets green

By Ben Muesig  
The Brooklyn Paper

You don't need a car to enjoy the green lights on Montague Street.

Workers hung environmentally friendly decorative lights from the branches of more than 20 Montague Street trees on Earth Day, illuminating the Brooklyn Heights thoroughfare without pulling any energy from the grid.

The spherical Japanese-style lanterns — each charged by a small solar panel — dangle over the sidewalk, casting a greenish glow through their paper wrap-pings.

"These lights really enhance the mood and character of Montague Street," said Chelsea Maudlin, executive director of the Montague Street Business Improvement District, which sponsored the project. "I want the people who visit Montague Street to be able to look up and say, 'Wow, this is the kind of urban environment that I really enjoy.'"

True to her claim, neighbors are enjoying it. "I think they're attractive," said Tracy Walsh, manager of Heights Books, which is between Henry and Hicks streets. "They're not too bright — it's nice that they're not trying to turn Montague Street into the Times Square of Brooklyn Heights."

"These lights really enhance the

### DOWNTOWN

## Comptroller: Let's sell the House of D

By Mike McLaughlin  
The Brooklyn Paper

The Brooklyn House of Detention is worth more to the city dead than alive, according to Comptroller Bill Thompson, who urged Mayor Bloomberg last week to sell the old Atlantic Avenue jail rather than push forward with a plan to reopen it.

In a letter sent to the mayor last Thursday, Thompson said the jailhouse site in Downtown Brooklyn would generate much-needed tax revenue if the city would drop its plan to double the capacity of the shuttered prison and ground floor retail.

Thompson, who made a similar plea in 2005, did not give a dollar figure, however. The comptroller's declaration comes shortly after the April 11 deadline for proposals on a \$240-million overhaul of the lockup, which last held defendants in 2003.

Thompson said an active jail, which takes up the full block bounded by Atlantic Avenue, Smith Street, Boerum Place and State Street, could hurt local business — a concept that is hardly a new one to residents of Boerum Hill and Cobble Hill.

But Corrections officials disagreed with Thompson and with neighbors, saying the jail is an "irreplaceable building [that] is physically connected to Brooklyn's main criminal courthouse."

"To sell it all would jeopardize the city's



The Brooklyn House of Detention is slated to reopen.

long-term public safety," said agency spokesman Steve Morello.

The city says it needs to reopen and double the capacity of the 11-story slammer to reduce the number of prisoners in its crumbling Rikers Island facility and to put Brooklyn defendants closer to Downtown courts and their families.

Real estate analysts say the property is indeed very valuable, but not as a jail. "All the property adjacent to the House of Detention has been transformed," said Brian Leary, managing director of Massey

Knakal. "It would be advantageous to transform it into something consistent with the what's around it."

Locals are resigned to the reopening of the 750-inmate jail, but they haven't accepted the city plan to enlarge it.

"The community is, in general, willing to accept it opening at its current capacity," said Jo Anne Simon, a Boerum Hill resident and local Democratic District Leader. "We're not crazy about it, but it's less onerous [than expanding it]."

Thompson's renewed call to sell the jail is just the latest effort to alter the plan. A far-more-ambitious city proposal last year, which sought to include a residential tower surrounding the jail, failed for lack of interest from developers. At one point, some electeds and Bloomberg administration officials — though none would take credit, of course — talked about putting a middle school on the ground floor. That plan died quickly.

In the end, the expansion plan looks like a lock. Though unpopular with the locals, criminal justice experts are supportive of the city position that jails should not be relegated to remote locations like a prison on island in the East River.

"Having [prisoners] shipped to Kings County courts from Rikers Island has not been a smooth operation," said Esmerelda Simmons, executive director of the Center for Law and Social Justice at Medgar Evers College.

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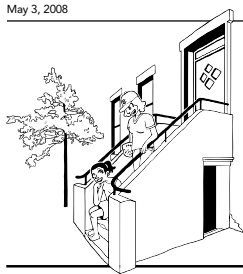
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## Psychic RV is right on target

"Hey, the psychic RV is back!" my fiancé said, as we walked down Seventh Avenue last Saturday morning. For several weeks last fall, we would see it parked across from Key Food, an RV with a sandwich board that announced that "Mrs. Dee" does palm reading, energy reading and other services, including Reiki.

Right next to the sandwich board was a folding beach chair. But we never saw anyone sitting in it. "Let's get our palms read," I suggested this time. "You go first."

"Me?" he said. "Why do I have to go first?"

It was a fair question. Psychics are questionable enough, but this one drove an RV, that most suspect of vehicles. Then again, this RV could predict our future for us. So finally, my fiancé agreed (was forced) to go first. It took forever, but finally he sauntered back. "I'm going to live a very long time," he announced. "See that line across my hand? It goes all the way from one end to the other."

"And I will definitely marry my soul mate and have three children."

He has two from his first marriage and I have one — so that worked.

All for \$2. My turn, I tapped on the door and was invited in. Mrs. Dee was in her 30s and was dressed all in beige. Her hair was pulled back into a smooth ponytail and she had a faint accent, which I could not place. She showed me where to sit at another small table, and then she sat down across from me.

"You will have four children," she told me, after studying my palms. Perhaps it was seeing my jaw drop that caused her to revise her prediction, "well, UP to four children." Phew.

"You have been out of balance for the last three months," she told me. "Five of your chakras are closed. You should come to our office in Bay Ridge and have some Reiki."

She closed her eyes for a moment and then announced, "You are definitely destined to have a soul mate."

I thanked her and stepped back outside to find my fiancé.

So, is she really psychic? Maybe. After all, she was right about the soul mate — but, even more significantly, she always gets that same parking space right across from Key Food.

Wendy Ponté is a writer who lives in Park Slope.

PS ... I LOVE YOU



Wendy Ponté

## BAY RIDGE

# Tales from the crypts

By Ben Muesig  
The Brooklyn Paper

Workers exhumed 211 bodies from the crypt of Bay Ridge's "Green Church" last week, moving the 108-year-old house of worship closer to its long-stated, but much-protested, demolition.

Citing the costs of ongoing renovation work, Pastor Robert Emerick last year signed off on a plan to tear down the verdant Bay Ridge United Methodist Church to make room for a smaller church and condos on the corner of Fourth and Ovington avenues.

Before demolition can begin, the church needed to relocate the remains of its 19th-century parishioners, which had rested untouched in a crypt since 1901.

Workers donned gloves, carefully placing the remains in steel vaults before moving them to Cypress Hills Cemetery, where "they'll be buried alongside other Methodists," Emerick said.

Opponents of the church's demolition saw the April 21 disinterment as a bad omen.

"Once you've moved the bodies, the next step is bringing the church down," said Victoria Hofmo of the Committee to Save the Bay Ridge Methodist Church, which has been having bi-weekly rallies to build community support against tearing down the historic green stone building. Hofmo's group



Workers started digging up coffins at the Bay Ridge United Methodist Church last Thursday so the fabled "Green Church" can be torn down to make room for condos. The remains were moved to a cemetery in Queens.

wants the landmark-worthy church turned into a community center.

Councilman Vince Gentile (D-Bay Ridge) called the exhumation egregious.

"It's a sad day for all those ancestors, whose bodies were at rest, to be uprooted, disturbing their eternal peace in the name

of residential development," he said.

But Emerick said the opposition isn't thinking about what's best for the church.

"They don't actually care about the remains," said Emerick. "They're opposed to anything that this congregation does with its property."

## Bay Ridge Key Food to close

By Gersh Kuntzman  
The Brooklyn Paper

Shoppers in the southern part of Bay Ridge will be left with just one supermarket thanks to the imminent closure of the Key Food on Third Avenue.

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"I'm very upset," said Ruth Beidel, on hearing that the supermarket at the corner of 95th Street will become a Walgreens drug store.

"There were only two supermarkets on this end [of the neighborhood]. The lines at Food Town [on 90th Street] will be really long." A store manager, who was ironically standing in front of

a "Certificate of Appreciation" from state Sen. Marty Golden, refused to talk, telling a Brooklyn Paper reporter to call the company's office in Long Island. That call was not returned.

Golden spokesman John Quaglione said the pain would not only be felt by shoppers.

"The store supported our Halloween walk and our summer concert series," he said.



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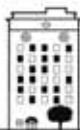
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## 78TH PRECINCT

**Park Slope**  
Two women attacked two other women in an early morning, alcohol-induced, knock-down, drag-out brawl at a popular 24-hour diner on Fifth Avenue on April 27.

Two women were injured and two others arrested for assault in the incident, which began at around 4:40 a.m.

"Basically, it was a drunken cheeseburger deluxe," said one 78th Precinct officer.

According to police, two women were eating at the diner, which is between Ninth and 10th streets, when two others entered after a night of clubbing.

One of the newcomers was drunk, and at some point, she picked up a bottle and threw it at one of the victims' heads.

This apparently prompted her partner in crime to pick up a fork and stab the other victim about the head and face.

The 25- and 44-year-old perps were arrested.

**Ka-ching!**  
Like a latter-day Willie Sutton, a gun-toting thief knew where the money was on April 25, hitting up a man after he left a Ninth Street check-cashing store on April 25.

The 42-year-old victim had cashed the check at the store, at the busy corner of Fourth Avenue, at around 4:15 p.m. But the perp followed him two blocks east, to the much more desolate corner of Second Avenue, where he pulled his black revolver and said, "Give me your money."

After the victim turned over the still-warm \$318, the perp hopped on a motorcycle driven by an accomplice and sped off.

**Easy pickings**  
Here they are, folks: Four more reasons why you should always keep your wallet in your pocket.

• On April 21, a hospital worker told cops that she put her wallet on her Sixth Street desk — "in plain view" — at around 4 a.m., but when she returned, the billfold was missing a credit card, and \$500 in charges had already been rung up.

• On April 23, a 30-year-old woman loitering in Prospect Park placed her wallet "on the grass" at around 8:30 p.m. near the zone. When she returned a few hours later, the wallet, which contained \$200 and assorted cards, was gone. She also lost her cellphone.

• A worker at a Union Street nail salon slipped out of the place for a few minutes on April 25 at around 7 p.m., leaving her wallet "on the counter." When she returned to the salon, which is between Sixth and Seventh avenues, the wallet was gone — and so was the \$300 and various cards.

• A quick-moving thief grabbed a 36-year-old woman's wallet after she left it on the table at a Sixth Avenue diner at around 1 p.m. on April 25. She told cops that she didn't see who grabbed the billfold off the table at the eater, which is near 13th Street. But she did know what she lost: the \$150 wallet, \$40 cash and various cards.

**Too young**  
A Parade Place girl who should have no experience with crime at her age was a pickpocket's easy mark on April 18.

The 10-year-old's mother told cops that her daughter was on the way to MS 51 on Sixth Avenue, but by the time she got to the school, between Fourth and Fifth streets, someone had stolen her cellphone.

**Compuburg**  
A thief broke into a Ninth Street apartment on April 21 and got away with electronics worth about \$3,500.

The 35-year-old tenant of the

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apartment, which is between Fifth and Sixth avenues, told cops that she went to the post office at 1 p.m. and came back just one hour later to find that her laptop and digital camera were gone.

**Road enrage**  
At least one car and two bikes were stolen off Park Slope streets last week.

• A 2005 Yamaha chopper was stolen off Warren Street sometime after 1 a.m. on April 26. The 24-year-old owner told cops he'd parked it between Fourth and Fifth avenues. He also lost a helmet and a football.

• A book-lover who locked his bike to a stand in front of the Brooklyn Public Library's Central Branch on Grand Army Plaza on April 24 left the building to find that his Trek mountain bike had been taken.

Security guards did see the perp clip the lock and take the \$1,200 bike, but they couldn't catch him.

• A 1999 Mercury Sable was taken from a space on Ninth Street between Second and Third avenues at around 3 p.m. on April 22 after the owner left the keys in the ignition.

— **Gersh Kuntzman**

**84TH PRECINCT**  
**Brooklyn Heights-DUMBO**  
**Boerum Hill-Downtown**

**Gunning for him**  
Two men robbed another man at a point near the victim's Hicks Street apartment on April 25.

The victim noticed two men behind him on Joralemon Street at 2 a.m., but when he reached the corner of Hicks, the thugs ran toward him, displaying a gun and telling him to empty his pockets.

After the man gave up \$60, his cellphone and various credit cards, the robbers fled toward Atlantic Avenue.

**Love Sidney**  
Three men roughed up a woman on State Street on April 26 before robbing her.

The hoodlums threw her car, between Sidney Place and Clinton Street, and told her not to scream at 11:30 p.m., before stealing her BlackBerry from her pocket.

**Tough guy**  
A man fended off would-be muggers on Sands Street on April 23, but got socked in the head in the process.

The 50-year-old man's backpack by hitting him, but wasn't able to pry it loose, forcing them to give up and flee empty-handed from the scene between Bridge and Gold streets at 10 p.m.

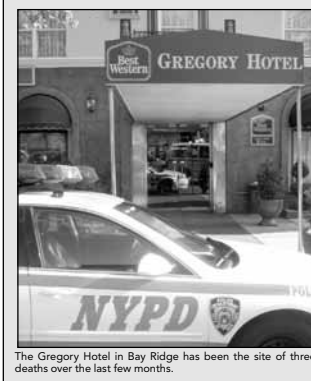
**Double snatch**  
Thieves stole purses from two women in different Montague Street restaurants within 40 minutes on April 23.

By Mike Laughton  
The Brooklyn Paper

Thieves stole dozens of bottles of booze from an Atlantic Avenue nightclub's basement on April 24.

The culprits, reared on security cameras at 120 p.m., went to great lengths for a drink. Their afternoon break-in was sense, that the late-night club, Khrome Lounge, would not open for hours.

According to police, the two thieves entered the basement through the neighboring apartment building, which shares the subterranean space



The Gregory Hotel in Bay Ridge has been the site of three deaths over the last few months.

## Third death at the Gregory

By Emily Lavlin  
for The Brooklyn Paper

A woman committed suicide inside of a Bay Ridge hotel room on April 25, making her the third person in just six months to die at the Best Western Gregory Hotel on Fourth Avenue.

Police have not released the name or age of the woman, who was discovered in her room early in the morning with a knife lodged in her chest.

The incident is the latest in a bizarre string of deaths that have given the otherwise respectable hotel, which is between 83rd and 84th streets, a horror-movie reputation.

In January, 20-year-old Pamela Hanson allegedly stabbed Bay Ridge resident David Diaz, 26, to death in their hotel room. Hanson is currently facing second-degree murder charges in connection with the crime.

Then, in late February, a cleaning lady discovered the body of 52-year-old Paul Mento in a bathroom. Mento, a Bay Ridge resident, was found in the bathtub with duct tape covering his mouth. Although no note was found, police later ruled the death a suicide.

On Tuesday at the hotel, a woman working the check-in desk declined to comment about the string of deaths.

— **Emily Lavlin**

**76TH PRECINCT**  
**Carroll Gardens**  
**Red Hook-Cobble Hill**

**Gun mugs**  
Two men, one with a firearm, robbed a woman on Pacific Street early on April 25.

The victim sneaked up behind the pair around 12:30 a.m. between Clinton and Court streets. One showed off the gun, while the other went through her bag, taking her purse and a cellphone.

To seal the deal, the thugs blew kisses at her as they fled.

**Calling card**  
An 11-year-old boy was mugged by a boy not much older than himself on Warren Street on April 17, but police, recognizing the delinquent's description, quickly made an arrest.

The victim told police he gave his cellular phone to a 14-year-old boy who menaced him with a knife near the corner of Clinton Street at 6 p.m.

But the troublemaker has struck too often in the neighborhood. According to police, an officer, hearing the physical description and MO, headed to a recidivist youngster's hangout, found the stolen cellphone and arrested the repeat offender.

**Unmasked man**  
A man brazenly reached over a gate at a Smith Street restaurant and stole a woman's purse in plain sight of the victim and her friend on April 22, yet neither woman got a good look at him.

It wasn't too long before police found the man with her stolen \$700 off on April 10 p.m.

The pocketbook was returned to its rightful owner on April 24. The lady wasn't positive it was the same woman who had interrupted her dinner, but she was arrested.

— **Mike Laughton**

**94TH PRECINCT**  
**Williamsburg-Greenvale**

**Deliverance**  
A deliveryman on April 23, but cops have not been able to deliver the package to its intended recipient.

The 18-year-old victim told cops he put his wallet down on the porch at around 6 p.m., and started playing a game of base-

ball in the street. He saw many people pass the house, which is between 13th and 14th avenues, but didn't notice the wallet was gone until he went to put it back in his pocket a couple of hours later.

The thief got away with just one debit card.

**Car break**  
Someone broke into a car parked on 65th street on April 24.

The 51-year-old victim told police she left her car at the corner of Fort Hamilton Parkway at around 1 p.m. on April 24. When she returned just 15 minutes later, the passenger side window of the Toyota Corolla had been smashed, and her purse was missing from the seat.

The suspect got away with cash and various debit and credit cards.

— **Emily Lavlin**

**68TH PRECINCT**  
**Bay Ridge**

**Gunpoint mug**  
A perp tried to rob a man at gunpoint on Fourth Avenue early on April 26.

The victim, 22, told cops he was waiting at an 85th street crosswalk at around 4:30 a.m. when a man walked up to him, held a gun to his head and demanded, "Give me your money."

When the victim refused to hand over his wallet, the perp hit him in the head with the gun, knocking him to the ground. The suspect then got into a blue Nissan Maxima and sped off empty-handed.

**Boy beat**  
Three thugs beat and robbed a boy as he walked down 86th Street on April 24.

The 17-year-old victim said he was walking home just after midnight when three men approached him at the corner of Dahlgren Place. The suspects pushed the victim to the ground, punching and kicking him from all sides.

The men then grabbed the victim's iPhone and fled down the street.

**Easy grab**  
An observant perp snatched a wallet from the front porch of a 67th Street house on April 24.

The 18-year-old victim told cops he put his wallet down on the porch at around 6 p.m., and started playing a game of base-

ball in the street. He saw many people pass the house, which is between 13th and 14th avenues, but didn't notice the wallet was gone until he went to put it back in his pocket a couple of hours later.

The thief got away with just one debit card.

**Run with scissors**  
A brutal thug stabbed a homeless woman in the breast with a pair of scissors on Bushwick Avenue on April 25.

The victim was around 1:25 a.m., slashing the woman across the chest between Moore and Varick streets. The woman suffered a minor laceration, cops said.

**Bag heist**  
Crooks snatched a Danish woman's handbag while she stepped drinks at a popular Bedford Avenue watering hole on April 26.

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## ATLANTIC YARDS

## THE SWEETHEART DEAL

# City let Ratner off the hook

## Fewer affordable units was OK'd in September

By Mike McLaughlin

The Brooklyn Paper

Bruce Ratner downsized Atlantic Yards — and it turns out that the city gave him the green light to do so.

A newly released funding agreement reveals that the city let the Atlantic Yards developer off the hook for the downsizing he announced last month — yet will still reward him with \$205 million in direct city subsidies.

The agreement, signed last September but only released this week to the Atlantic Yards Report, a Web site, allows Forest City Ratner to scale back the \$4-billion arena, apartment and office project and build just the publicly financed basketball arena and two or three downsized towers by 2020, four years later and thousands of units of affordable housing less than the 16-tower high money that was approved by state officials in December 2006.

If he manages to build the reduced number of units within that stretched-out timetable, he would avoid any penalties.

Besides the loose time frame, the new documents also reveal that taxpayers are spending \$100 million to pay back Ratner for his generous buyouts of tenants living in the arena footprint (see story at right).

The newly released document reveals that city officials and Ratner were already negotiating to scale back the 6,800-unit project long before Ratner told The New York Times last month that he'd canceled the sig-

nature Miss Brooklyn tower because he lacked an anchor tenant and that he had no timetable for building Phase II of the project — which includes the vast majority of the below-market-rate housing units and publicly accessible open space.

According to Ratner, the project now consists only of the publicly financed basketball arena and two or three smaller towers around it.

The result would be just hundreds of units of below-market-rate housing, not the 2,250 units that Ratner promised to build — and that has lawmakers, including those who once supported the project — seeing red.

Forest City Ratner did not answer requests for comment. Meanwhile, a group of residents of the footprint sued the Empire State Development

Corporation yet again, claiming that any agreement that gives Ratner more than 10 years to build the affordable units violates state condemnation law.

"If ESDC or [Forest City Ratner] has no intent to materially complete Phase II of the project within 10 years, Phase II has been abandoned as a matter of law," said the lawsuit, which was filed in state Supreme Court on Wednesday.

"Ratner has abandoned most of the project and that has consequences under eminent domain law," said the plaintiff's lawyer, George Locker. "The law gives a condemnee the right to repurchase his property if the site has been abandoned."

A spokeswoman for ESDC declined to comment, saying the agency officials "have not yet had the opportunity to review the pleadings."

# Tax dollars paid for this mess

By Mike McLaughlin

The Brooklyn Paper

Bruce Ratner was called generous when he bought out tenants in the footprint of his proposed basketball arena in 2004 — but he could afford to be because he was paying with taxpayer money.

According to the just-released funding agreement between the city and Forest City Ratner, the \$100 million for "land acquisition" that the city set aside in 2006 will reimburse the developer for the private land he bought to assemble the project's superblock.

That includes deals that made millionaires out of condo owners who agreed to sell to Ratner while the threat of eminent domain loomed.

The funding agreement was obtained by the Atlantic Yards Report, a Web site, which acquired it through a Freedom of Information Act request.

"It is unconscionable and indefensible that the city is giving \$100 million of taxpayers' money to pay for Ratner's strong-arm real-estate deals," said Daniel Goldstein, the spokesman for Develon Don't Destroy Brooklyn (who was the one resident of 636 Pacific St. who did not take Ratner's buyout).

When the city announced its \$100-million deal-sweetener in 2006, it was listed on budget documents as "land acquisition."



The city paid Bruce Ratner \$100 million to buy out homeowners living within the footprint of his Atlantic Yards arena superblock.

# Irony: 'Union' divides neighborhood

By Mike McLaughlin

The Brooklyn Paper

A thriving bar and concert venue in Park Slope is a victim of its own success — or rather its neighbors say they're victims of the neighborhood's success.

Union Hall has catapulted into the upper ranks of Brooklyn watering holes since it opened on Union Street in July 2006, but has been at the center of controversy for just as long, with irate locals complaining that noise from the bar keeps them up into the wee hours.

The bar's owners will face their many critics on May 7, when Community Board 6 holds a hearing about renewing the bar's soon-to-expire liquor license.

"We've been addressing their concerns since we opened," said Jim Carden, co-owner of the bar, adding, "we have a lot of information about what we've been doing and we're going to present it at the meeting." He declined to comment further.

But neighbors on Union Street and around the corner on busy Fifth Avenue say the steady flow of revelers in and out of the cavernous space creates a nightly disruption, especially when popular live musi-



Union Hall on Union Street at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope is again under fire, this time for the crowds it attracts late into the night.

cal acts are booked in the basement concert space.

"The problem is you have a hugely popular bar," said Jon Crow, president of the Union Street Block Association. "As groups leave, they're still in bar mode, yelling up and down the street."

The upcoming hearing is the culmination of two years of complaints that have drawn in the 78th Precinct, the community board and elected officials to mediate between Union Hall's owners and its rankled neighbors.

Out of those meetings have come several conciliatory gestures from the bar, previously a long-closed kitchen cabinet shop. Union Hall now closes its backyard patio at 10 pm on weeknights and 11 on the weekends, and there are also signs on the doors imploring patrons to be courteous.

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People who have relaxed in the evening in Union Hall's living-room-style bar, which is lined with bookshelves, might be surprised by its late-night reputation.

"The bar is a Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde kind of thing," said David Smith, who says noise reaches him in his Fifth Avenue apartment.

"It's very sedate on Tuesdays at 6:30 in the evening, but on Fridays at 2:30 in the morning you don't want to be there."

Defenders of Union Hall are sympathetic, but say the critics have exaggerated the extent of the problem.

"What the critics are saying is willfully untrue," said Eugene Mirman, a regular patron and comic performer at the bar. "People don't leave here at 5 a.m. shouting, seven nights a week."

"And remember something," he added. "This is New York City. There is going to be a little noise."

The battle between bars and neighbors is perhaps as old as drinking itself, but there has

been an intensification of conflicts since New York City banned smoking indoors in 2003 and with the proliferation of nightlife in previously residential corners of Brooklyn.

The Community Board 6 vote is only advisory, and Union Hall foes recognize the odds are slim that the State Liquor Authority would deny the groggery a renewed license. But they hope the controversy will push the community board to be more reluctant to support new bars on relatively quiet blocks.

Indeed, CB 6 just weighed in on a similar controversy, voting to support a Carroll Gardens restaurant and bar owner who wanted to open a new bar on the largely residential Hoyt Street. The board voted overwhelmingly in favor of the barman, Jim Mamary, despite substantial opposition on Hoyt Street.

Community Board 6 hearing on Union Hall's liquor license will be on Thursday May 7 at 4 p.m. in the board's offices (250 Baltic St., between Court and Clinton streets). Call (718) 642-3027 for info.



# Grand Theft Auto comes to Bklyn

The New York Times calls it "a thoroughly compelling work of cultural satire."

Borough President Markowitz calls it "repugnant."

My roommate calls it "the pinnacle of human achievement."

But for this Brooklynite, Grand Theft Auto IV, the hyper-violent videogame set in a fictionalized New York City, is a dream about strippers and guns in a thinly veiled Big Apple called "Liberty City."

So when I picked up the joystick, I was sure I'd know my way around the game well enough to bring my character to the best dumping house in Sunset Park and the hippest hipster bar in Bushwick.

The Brooklyn of GTA — it's actually called "Brooklyn" in the game — doesn't match up with any map I know.

Yes, Brooklyn's major landmarks are easy to spot. The Soldiers' and Sailors' Arch in Grand Army Plaza looms over traffic, just like in real life. The Cyclone roller coaster (aptly renamed "The Screamer") and the Wonder Wheel (dubbed "The Liberty Eye") are postcard perfect, as are the Brooklyn and Manhattan bridges and Park Slope's brownstone blocks.

For every landmark that the game's designers created (with photorealistic precision, I must say), entire neighborhoods morphed, shrank and became mostly unrecognizable.

It took me a few hours of furious gameplay to find a single block that might or might not constitute Bay Ridge (though to



By Ben Muesig



A brownstone-lined, Brooklyn-style street in Grand Theft Auto IV.

the designers' credit, that block did have illegal car cuts!).

As I drove around, Brooklyn Heights appeared as nothing more than a strip of townhouses bordering the Promenade. The game also merges DUMBO, the Navy Yard and Red Hook into a single industrial site, which complicated my attempts to replicate my morning commute in a stolen police car.

Prospect Park is no bigger than Grand Green Park, and much to Smartmon's dismay, Park Slope borders both the Fulton Mall and Coney Island's public housing.

But for every neighborhood included in the game, a handful didn't make the cut.

Where are Williamsburg, Greenpoint, Cobble Hill, Carroll Gardens, Midwood, Sheepshead Bay, Flatbush and Coney Island among others?

Brooklyn is nothing without its neighborhoods and with all of Grand Theft Auto's omissions, my character might as well have been committing senseless acts of violence in some other borough.

That's not to say that the new game isn't fun — it very well might be the best videogame I've ever played.

But Brooklynites shouldn't expect to know their way around.

# Not again!

## Dean St. is PO'd at being peed on

By Mike McLaughlin

The Brooklyn Paper

Three houses and one car on a Boerum Hill block were doused with large quantities of human waste again this week — the latest examples of a recurring form of moist vandalism on Dean Street.

This was the second straight week that the block was showered. Last Sunday, someone left a two-liter container filled with urine and syringes in front of one house and soaked the bed of a pickup truck — both of which were targeted in the latest outpouring.

"This is getting out of control," said Kevin McGowan, the truck owner, who has been victimized at least four times.

The trouble started flowing on the day of the neighborhood block party last September, when neighbors emerged from their homes between Bond and Nevins streets to an overpowering stench of pee, some of which was in McGowan's truck.

Since then, the block has been suffering in the clutches of leaky villains who drench their street with apparent impunity.

"I hope there's some scrutiny and increased police presence," said Cynthia Hammond, whose husband has encountered the evidence the last two weeks. "It's a health issue and it's a quality-of-life issue."

The 84th Precinct did not respond to several calls for comment, and residents say they have not been encouraged by the station's attitude towards their gripes, though officers have been to the scene twice in the last two weeks.

Residents say cops are showing up because of that two-liter, urine-filled jug.

It was the first time we were able to establish what we've been saying — that someone has been pouring urine on cars on our block," Joe Samulski, Hammond's husband, told The Brooklyn Paper.

# Rep. Towns's opponent from 'Real World'

## Challenger Kevin Powell starred in the original reality TV show



Former MTV "Real World" star Kevin Powell announced his second run for Congress this week, setting up another fight against longtime Rep. Ed Towns.

By Ben Muesig

The Brooklyn Paper

It's the MTV kid versus the golden oldie for Congress.

Forty-two-year-old hip-hop writer and MTV "Real World" alum Kevin Powell has announced a second run against 13-term incumbent Rep. Ed Towns (D-Fort Greene).

And this time, Towns, who won with just 47 percent of the vote in a three-way contest in 2006, says he won't underestimate his competition.

"I made a mistake a couple of years ago when I didn't take a candidate seriously," said Towns, speaking of a race that included Councilman Charles Barron (D-Caracas) and Assemblyman Roger Green (D-Fort Greene).

Powell had also been in the race early, but dropped out.

For all his talk of taking Powell seriously, Towns's first comments on his opponent indicated he was doing just the opposite.

"I don't know this Kevin Powell and I don't know anything that he's done," he said.

Powell declared his candidacy on April 27 at a crowded fundraiser at a

Fort Greene soul food restaurant. The Five Spot.

"I know the story of David and Goliath, and I love being David," Powell said.

Comparing the outsider candidate with the Biblical underdog might be an understatement considering Towns's deep pockets.

By the beginning of March, Towns had raised \$710,444 — and spent more than \$500,000 on the campaign already.

Powell — whose latest records are from the end of 2007 — raised a puny \$8,825 by comparison, but he's still optimistic.

"I'm going to be the first person from the hip-hop generation to make it to Congress," he said.

Local political experts aren't so sure of that.

Barron and Green were both stronger candidates," a Brooklyn politician said. "Both of them were elected officials. Both of them ran for office and won. Both of them were proven fundraisers — you can't say the same things about Kevin Powell."

Barron — who still believes he would have won in 2006 had Green not split the anti-Towns vote — has

endorsed Powell.

"I'm used to being able to say 'Power to the people,'" the former Black Panther said. "But now I can say, 'Power to the people.'"

At the April 27 fundraiser, Powell didn't waste much time before digging into Towns's record, calling him out for missing nearly 1,000 votes since 1993, supporting Atlantic Yards, and failing to attend anti-Inq War rallies.

He spends more time in Florida than he does in Brooklyn, New York City, at this point," Powell said.

Days after the criticism from Powell, Towns announced that he will host a May 3 town hall meeting on predatory lending.

Still, he dismissed Powell's attack on his record by going negative against the candidate.

"He says he's an organizer because Obama talks about being an organizer," Towns said of Powell, who has touted his support for Barack Obama's presidential campaign. "He says he's for change because Obama says he's for change."



## OUR OPINION

# A fight worth having

On Thursday night, Community Board 6 will hold a hearing to decide whether to support a renewal of the liquor license at a bar in Park Slope called Union Hall (pictured below). The battle over Union Hall — with angry neighbors complaining that the popular nightclub has created a nuisance — is just the latest clash that we see repeated throughout popular Brooklyn neighborhoods between a local bar owner's desire to serve drinks and book bands and area residents who say that doing so violates their neighborhood's peace and quiet.

Earlier this year, a similar fight broke out in Carroll Gardens after the owner of the Black Mountain Wine Bar at the corner of

Union and Hoyt streets announced that he wanted to open an oyster bar around the corner on Hoyt Street.

Just as in the current Union Hall case, neighbors claimed that the bar is a menace to the community. But what "community"? At Union Hall, the book-lined front room, bocce courts, patio area, \$3 happy hour drafts and basement concert venue has become a true neighborhood destination. And to think, a year and a half ago, it was a shuttered kitchen cabinet store.

While the State Liquor Authority has said that CB6 won't influence it one way or the other, the hearing is vital given its timing.

More and more, Brooklyn neighborhoods are establishing their own nightlife scenes so that residents no longer have to rely on Manhattan for their entertainment. This revival of dormant commercial spaces, provides jobs in Brooklyn, and gives people a chance to hang out with their neighbors without leaving the neighborhood.

That said, all this after-hours activity can get out of hand, as our story on page 5 reports. And in such cases, community boards can play an important role in getting all the aggrieved parties together so such things can be worked out — as a neighborhood.

Most of us want lively commercial strips in our neighborhoods, but we also want a reasonable amount of peace and quiet.

Such needs are not necessarily incompatible — which is why Thursday's community board hearing is so important.



## LETTERS

# City: We'll get Coney land without eminent domain

To the editor,

The city's position has consistently been that there would be no eminent domain involved in the Coney Island plan ("City to Thor: Take Coney plan or leave it," April 26). But The Brooklyn Paper's story did not accurately reflect that position.

In the story, I was quoted as saying that "we're going forward with this plan," but the quote referred to advancing the city plan to proceed with remapping nine acres of Coney Island as parkland. I was not referring to eminent domain.

We are sure that you would want to clarify the city's position for your readers which, as stated above, has not changed.

**Madelyn Wils**  
The writer is executive vice president of the Economic Development Corporation. Editor's note: Wils is correct; our article should have been clearer that she did not specifically say that the city would resort to eminent domain. That said, Wils said that the city would

move ahead with its Coney Island plan whether or not local landowners sell their properties to the city. Under such a "take it or leave it" scenario, if these landowners choose not to sell, eminent domain is the city's only remaining option, as we reported.

## Dirty Vito

To the editor,  
Rep. Vito Fossella (R-Bay Ridge) has tapped into some of the dirtiest money without that fundraiser, David H. Koch, owns Koch Industries, the largest privately held company in the United States, which has a very serious record as a major polluter. During the Clinton Administration, the company was hit with a landmark EPA penalty of \$35 million.

They were also fined an additional \$8 million for discharging oil into streams in Minnesota. Vito Fossella has been a loyal rubber-stamping minion for the Bush/Cheney administration and not a check on executive branch power that we expect from Congress. He supports no-bid government contracts, entitlements and tax exemptions for multi-billion dollar polluters like Koch Industries, but destruction of entitlements to individuals like Social Security and Medicaid.

What else can you expect from someone so beholden to those interests?

**George Rosquist, Staten Island**

## Brooklyn is America

To the editor,  
As a former Brooklynite, I still read The Brooklyn Paper every week. But lately, it seems that I could be reading any paper in the country: A new IKEA? A Vegas-sized Xanadu on Coney Island? Everything is so generic, so homogenized, so ... American.

Soon Cindy Adams will no longer be able to say, "Only in New York, kids, only in New York."

The development going on in my new hometown is far less generic. Perhaps everyone is so focused on the Atlantic Yards project that they're not seeing what else is going on around them.

**Lawrence Goodman, Providence, RI**

## Brooklyn's decline

To the editor,

We are paying the price for becoming a "popular" place in which to live. I lament the loss of the old "neighborhood," when neighbors were friendly, the kids played together, the street fairs were fun with pony rides and games.

While the arrival of the young crowd and the new bars and restaurants are welcome, the Mom and Pop stores are disappearing. Buyers now plunk down millions, spend a few more with endless construction, and isolate themselves within fenced backyards.

And what about all the babies whose nannies take them to the doctor and for trick-or-treating? Sad!

**Asha Nayak, Park Slope**

## In-snide job

To the editor,

Letter writer Thomasina Millet ("Mixed Message," April 26) really made me sear with her snide comment about how Develop Don't Destroy Brooklyn is "defending the property rights of million-dollar homeowners."

DDDB has been the major group pushing for a transparent, public process for deciding on the future of Atlantic Yards so

that all could participate!

Millet should be going after those so-called "community" groups who bought into Rainer's lies — some of them in exchange for a six-figure paycheck.

**Carol Wierzbicki, Park Slope**

## Power for people

To the editor,

Your article "Power plant gets renewed energy" (Downtown and North Brooklyn editions and online, April 26) reminded me that two years ago, the Brooklyn Chapter of the American Institute of Architects took a position favoring the construction of the proposed underground generating plant for the following reasons:

1. The city would like this property for a park. The proposal for a generating plant underground would automatically clean up the ground condition and, except for a smoke stack, a truck ramp to below grade and some ventilation and exit structures at grade level, the entire grade area could be developed as parkland.

2. One objection to the proposed power plant was its supposed adverse impact on air quality in the area. However, natural gas is relatively clean burning and a 325-foot-high smoke stack would deposit pollutants, if any, miles away from the site.

3. Others questioned the safety. But ex-

ceptions of fossil fuel power plants are extremely rare. Even that small risk could be mitigated by proper design, with relief venting, explosion depression systems and reinforced concrete design, making the park safe.

4. The city needs additional generating facilities and this location, adjoining a river and close to electrical distribution facilities, works well for a generating plant.

5. This power plant could be built immediately, by a private operator, at no cost to the city.

Since the site will be a park at grade level, and will be safe for park use, this site should be looked at again for its intended purpose, namely to generate electricity.

**Donald Weston, Brooklyn Heights**  
The writer is chair of the urban design committee for the Brooklyn Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

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All letters must be signed and include the writer's home address and phone number (only the writer's name and neighborhood are published with the letter). Letters may be edited and will not be returned. The earlier in the week you send your letter, the better.

## CORRECTION

A story last week incorrectly reported the day of Saturday's rally against Atlantic Yards. The rally will be 2 pm on Saturday, May 3, at 752 Pacific St., between Carlton and Vanderbilt avenues. Call Daniel Goldstein of Develop Don't Destroy Brooklyn at (917) 701-3056 for information.

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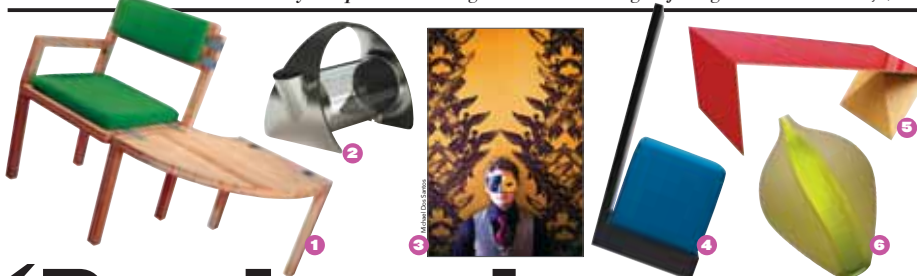
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# 'Designs' on you

Home decor extravaganza to lure editors, shoppers to DUMBO

By Adam Rathe  
The Brooklyn Paper

Finding a place to live is never easy, but beginning Friday, furnishing your home with style and originality can be a cinch. This year's edition of BKLYN Designs, the annual bazaar of avant-garde furniture and housewares, will convene 70 exhibitors who design or manufacture goods in the borough.

The three-day event, the biggest in its six-year history, opens on Friday, May 9, and will sprawl over four DUMBO locations — St. Ann's Warehouse, The Tobacco Warehouse, Smack Mellon art gallery and the DUMBO Arts Center.

"This year, there will be 28 brand new exhibitors, and that's a big number for us," said organizer Karen Austier. "The great thing about BKLYN Designs is that some of these small companies launch with us and end up with so

many orders that they outgrow it. We hope for that. We want great success for them."

Austier's plan seems to be working. She cited designers like DUMBO-based City Joinery, which she said, "does most of [its] sales at BKLYN Designs every year."

Another addition to this year's lineup is a bigger-than-ever showing from "green" designers. Uthuru Design, a Red Hook-based firm specializing in furniture made from recycled and repurposed materials, is known for launching new products at BKLYN Designs each year, and it's just one of 18 eco-friendly exhibitors.

"It's great [for buyers] to be able to meet the designers and have them explain their work and the significance of the design decisions," said Uthuru's Bill Hilgendorf. "Focus on sustainability has been big for the past few years, and it's been great for designers to be able to explain to clients why it's good, how we are able to be

**Made in Brooklyn:** Among the companies and designers participating in BKLYN Designs, May 9-11 in DUMBO, are (1) EcoSystems, (2) Joey Roth, (3) Jill Malek, (4) Vexell, (5) Takeshi Miyakawa Design and (6) furthuredesign.

sustainable and why you should buy into that."

"We're definitely into promoting Brooklyn," he added. "We've stuck with BKLYN Designs because we feel like it's a good place for us to launch products." This year, Uthuru will be launching a line of furniture made from reclaimed Kentucky bourbon barrels. Included will be a lounge chair, coffee table, bench and end table.

Uthuru won't be the only design group flaunting new material. Austier cites new items like the "Sonap" kettle by Greenpoint resident Joey Roth as an example of "ordinary items becoming design-savvy pieces."

Other materials making their debut at BKLYN Designs include Cobble Hill resident Jill Malek's nature-inspired wallpapers ("She makes wallpaper look like art," said Austier) and customized furniture from Vexell.

BKLYN Designs isn't just a shopping trip, however. In addition to the vendors, the event has

organized a dozen events — ranging from an opening-night, keynote speech from designer Sami Hayek (brother of actress Salma) to a Mother's Day crafts workshop — to keep the design savvy attendees educated and entertained.

Although New York hosts a number of design events, including the International Art + Design Fair in October, BKLYN Designs has the distinction of being on the cutting edge of what is being shown.

"You have to design or manufacture in Brooklyn to even be eligible," said Austier. "We have applications coming from all over the country, but you really have to be a Brooklyn designer. I know someone who moved their business to the borough just to be part of BKLYN Designs."

Hilgendorf added, "It has the feeling of a fresh group, and people expect to see new stuff." And when BKLYN Designs rolls into DUMBO, that's exactly what they'll get.

## SHOPPING

BKLYN Designs runs May 9 - 11 at various locations in DUMBO. Tickets are \$15 per day, \$12 in advance. For information and a full schedule, visit [www.brooklyn.designs.net](http://www.brooklyn.designs.net).

## MUSIC



## Fest turns 30

It's been said that you can't trust anyone over 30, but "Celebrate Brooklyn," the Park Slope summer music festival that reaches that milestone this year, still has impeccable taste.

"When you look at the lineup, you'll realize that we have put an enormous effort into making sure the 30th season is one that has tremendous quality and variety of performers," said Jack Walsh, the festival's director. "There are 80 artists from 18 countries; the mix is pretty amazing."

"Walk on By" singer and former voice of Chef on "South Park" Isaac Hayes will kick off the summer-long series on June 12 with a free concert, followed by a \$300-per-ticket gala to benefit the series. Running through Aug. 9, "Celebrate Brooklyn" will feature live music, dance, theater and films projected on what Walsh called the largest outdoor screen in New York City.

Of course, a performing arts series as monumental as Celebrate Brooklyn can't offer all of those nights of free entertainment without a little help from their friends. Big-name bands like Spoon and Feist are playing benefit concerts — the only events, besides the gala, that aren't free — and bringing their nightclub-packing sounds to the band shell in Prospect Park. Canadian indie songstress Feist, whose song "1234" topped the U.S. charts last year, will perform on July 9 and Texas-based indie rock darlings Spoon, whose 2007 record "Ga Ga Ga Ga Ga" landed the band on late night shows and soundtracks all year long, will perform on July 15. Tickets are already on sale for these shows.

Whether it's a rock concert or a performance by a classical trio, an evening at Celebrate Brooklyn is as much a part of summer as ice cream or a backyard barbecue, and that's the biggest attraction there is.

"I'm a Park Slope resident and [always see] friends and neighbors there," said Walsh. "No matter where you're from, you do get a sense of community."

BRIC Arts / Media / Bklyn presents Celebrate Brooklyn from June 12 through Aug. 9 at the Prospect Park band shell (Ninth Street and Prospect Park West in Park Slope). Most events are free. For information, a full schedule or gala tickets, call (718) 855-7882 or visit [www.celebratebrooklyn.org](http://www.celebratebrooklyn.org). For Spoon tickets (\$2-\$20) and Feist tickets (\$35), visit [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com).

— Adam Rathe

## BOOKS

## Hodg-podge

Lock up your history books! On Tuesday, May 6, author, Park Sloper and "Daily Show" contributor John Hodgman will read from his new book, "More Information Than You've Ever Had." "Require," a collection of fake trivia, at a benefit for PS 107.

"I will be speaking about the long and close relationship between Thomas Jefferson and the Mole Men," said the Comedy Central fixture, whose last book included a list entitled "Nine U.S. Presidents Who Had Hooks for Hands."

Hodgman, who is widely recognized as the actor portraying the fussy PC in a series of Macintosh commercials, will be joined by novelist Daria Siraous ("More Than It Hurts You"), comic Patrick Borelli and perhaps some "special guests" for the evening, which will benefit the school's library collection.

Hodgman, who has a child enrolled at the school, urged GO Brooklyn. "Apart from the delight of fiction, comedy and fake trivia, this is a good cause for people to take part in."

"Readings on the Fourth Floor" will take place at 7:30 pm on May 6 at PS 107 (13th Street and Eighth Avenue in Park Slope). \$15. For information, visit [www.ps107.org](http://www.ps107.org). — Adam Rathe



Hats off to BBG: As part of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden's cherry blossom festival this weekend, the Japanese Folk Dance Institute presents the "Hanagasa Odori" (Flower Hat Dance) at 2:30 pm on May 3 and the "Minbu" folk dance at 3:30 pm on May 4.

# 'Sakura' modern

Pop stars, DJs & more at blossom festival

By Lisa J. Curtiss  
GO Brooklyn Editor

While the Japanese tradition of celebrating cherry blossoms might be ancient, this year's edition of "Sakura Matsuri" at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden features a slate of utterly contemporary music,

theater, fine art and more.

The two-day cherry blossom festival, which takes over the Prospect Heights garden this weekend, is hoping to attract even more visitors with an infusion of programs geared to a new generation of Japan-o-philes. Visitors will find the usual hits on the schedule — such as demonstra-

tions of "ikebana" (flower arranging), a tea ceremony, and lots of classical Japanese dance and music — augmented by the installation of the new "Sakura Lounge" featuring four DJs — with four distinct styles performing on different days and times — in the Osborne Garden.

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May 3

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**SUNDAY**  
May 4

**Ka-bloom!**  
The Brooklyn Botanic Garden's 27th cherry blossom festival, "Sakura Matsuri," kicks off May 3, but the event continues today with dance performances and live music ranging from the traditional to the utterly contemporary. Of course, the biggest attraction are those legendary pink blossoms.

10 am to 6 pm at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden (1000 Washington Ave. at Montgomerystreet in Prospect Heights). \$5. For information, call (718) 625-7000 or visit [www.bbg.org](http://www.bbg.org).

**MONDAY**  
May 5

**Fiesta time**  
While Cinco de Mayo officially celebrates the victory of the Mexican army over the French in 1862, most people use the holiday as an excuse to guzzle tequila. With that in mind, restaurants and bars across the borough are celebrating. Mexican in Cobble Hill is celebrating with an all-day happy hour — try the mango margaritas or signature sangria — and a huge menu of south-of-the-border favorites.

Noon to 10:30 pm at Mexicali (141 Court St. at Atlantic Avenue in Cobble Hill). For information, call (718) 625-7370.

**TUESDAY**  
May 6

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**FRIDAY**  
May 9

**Divine 'Designs'**  
BKLYN Designs, the three-day festival of cutting edge, Brooklyn-made furniture and accessories, kicks off today with a keynote speech by designer Sami Hayek, brother of Salma. See page 7 for more info.

10 am to 8 pm in locations throughout DUMBO. \$15 at the door, \$12 in advance. For information, visit [www.bklyndesigns.com](http://www.bklyndesigns.com).

# NINE DAYS IN BROOKLYN

Compiled by Susan Rosenthal Jay

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**BIRDWATCHING:** Explore Prospect Park's natural areas and learn how to look for birds. Noon to 1:30 pm. Meet at the Audubon House, enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue. (718) 965-9011.

**LAKE CRUISE:** Take a 25-minute cruise on the electric boat Independence. \$6 for ages 13 and up; \$3 for ages 3 to 12; ages 2 and under ride free. 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Audubon Center, Prospect Park. Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue. (718) 287-3800.

**PARK WALK:** Urban Park Rangers lead a walk around Fort Greene Park and explore the Prison Ship Martyrs' Monument. 1 pm. Meet at Myrtle Avenue and Washington Park. Call 311 for info. Free.

**PERFORMANCE**  
**ENDGAME:** Brooklyn Academy of Music presents Samuel Beckett's "Endgame." John Turturro stars along with Max Casella, Elaine Stielch and Alan Evans. \$25 to \$75. 2 pm and 7:30 pm. BAM Harvey Theater. 651 Fulton St. (718) 636-4100.

**STREET SLAM:** Extreme action, blending dance, gymnastics, physics and the circus. \$10 kids, 3 pm and 7 pm. Street's Williamsburg Action Factory. 51 N. First St. (718) 384-6491.

**ONE-ACT PLAY:** Spike the Hub presents Young Artists Ensemble Theater. Work shop in "Teen Angel." \$5, \$3 kids, 7:30 pm. Gowanus Arts Building, 295 Douglass St. (718) 438-3234.

**SHAKESPEARE:** Brooklyn College Department of Theater presents "Two Gentlemen of Verona." \$5, 7:30 pm. Gershwin Theater, 200 Bedford Ave. (718) 951-4500.

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**THURSDAY, MAY 8**  
7 pm. Call (718) 852-7418 for info.

**TUESDAY, MAY 6**  
7:30 pm. 76th Precinct stationhouse. Monthly meeting. 76th Precinct stationhouse (191 Union St., between Henry and Hicks streets in Carroll Gardens). 7:30 pm. Call (718) 834-2611.

**Community Board 2, Economic Development and Job Creation Committee.** Long Island University DePaul Avenue at Flatbush Avenue Extension in Downtown). 6 pm. Call (718) 596-5410 for info.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 7**  
Land-use review hearing. The "narrow streets" rezoning of parts of Carroll Gardens is now before Borough President Markowitz, who will conduct this hearing. Brooklyn Borough Hall (209 Joralemon St., between Court and Adams streets in Downtown). 5:30 pm. Call (718) 862-3859 for info.

**Community Board 2, Health, Environment and Social Services Committee.** Brooklyn Heights (121 DeKalb Ave., at Saint Felix Street in Fort Greene). 6 pm. Call (718) 596-5410 for info.

**THURSDAY, MAY 8**  
Brooklyn Democrats for Change. Endorsement meeting. Knights of Columbus (1122 Fifth Ave., between E1st and E2nd streets in Bay Ridge). 7:30 pm. E-mail: [brooklyn-democratsforchange.com](mailto:brooklyn-democratsforchange.com) for info.

**SATURDAY, MAY 10**  
Jackie Robinson Day. Activities for kids and seniors, plus tenant advice and summer job information. Ebbetts Field Houses (Bedford Avenue between Montgomery Street and Sullivan Place in Crown Heights), noon-4 pm. Call (718) 956-0100 for info.

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"It's about those working there," said Mackellar. "What they are doing and how it affects us."

Maklari & Company is the oldest of the 11 unique businesses featured in this show, which celebrates 150 years of manufacturing in the canal-side neighborhood.

"We were aware there was a lot of industry in Gowanus, and we were curious [about] what was going on behind closed doors," said Mackellar. "It seemed appropriate [now], since there is so much talk about development in the area."

Other featured companies include the Ready-Mix Concrete Plant, which makes concrete for construction at the World Trade Center site, and J & M, which is a full service special effects biz serving the city's TV and theater community.

"They have a wide range of skills and an amazing amount of — for lack of a better word — 'stuff,' which enables them to respond to diverse requests from the performance community, from renting weaponry to blowing up cars, to fog, rain, snow and wind," said Mackellar.

"Gowanus Transformations" runs May 8 through Aug. 24 at the Brooklyn Historical Society (129 Pierrepont St. at Clinton Street in Brooklyn Heights). For information, call (718) 222-4111 or visit [www.brooklynhistory.org](http://www.brooklynhistory.org).

— Linnea Covington

## CHERRY...

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"As you walk in from the Eastern Parkway entrance, you'll see we've created this lounge scenario in this big Italian garden," said Anita Jacobs, who curates the programs for "Sakura Matsuri."

"My intention is that as you walk in, you'll hear great music. In past years, if you entered on Eastern Parkway, you used to have to walk a ways to get a taste of the festival."

Jacobs has enlisted DJs from New York and beyond to spin in her *fresco lounge*. "One of the real draws will be DJThirteen, who hosts a radio show out of Boston," said Jacobs. "He will be spinning anime-themed J-rock and J-pop [on May 4 at 4:30 p.m.]."

This festival will tap into "manga" signing with a presentation and book signing by "Manga for Dummies" creator Ken-koichi Okuyama on both days. Jacobs said that in the past, his demonstrations have been popular with everyone from "graphic designers to first graders who want to learn how to draw comic book art."

"Both 'anime' and 'manga' have exploded in Japan and really hit this country like crazy," said Jacobs. "I call it the gateway to Japanese culture. [After exposure to 'manga'], pre-teen and young adult audiences want to learn everything about Japanese culture — they want to go to a traditional tea ceremony."

While the garden's director of public programs has been selecting the entertainment for the festival for years, even she has been blown away by her success. J-pop band ZAN, which came from Japan to play 2007's fest, is returning this year with an expanded show.

"What I love about them is that they're using traditional instruments in a modern way," said Jacobs, who was startled by the ardor of their fans last year. "Suddenly I hear screaming teenagers and kids are cry-



**Petal to the metal:** This year's cherry blossom festival at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden includes DJs spinning J-pop and a performance by Japanese duo ZAN.

ing like it was a Beatles concert. When they came off the stage, we had to bring in extra security because people were trying to rip their clothes off." So, of course, ZAN wants to play Brooklyn again, and they'll take the Cherry Esplanade stage at 4 p.m. on Saturday.

In addition to this cutting edge talent, there will be a Kyoto kimono fashion show modeled by retired geishas, followed by a screening of Miyuki Sotom's documentary "Hannari: Geisha Modern," about the lives of contemporary Japanese women who practice geisha arts.

tuna and avocado, or the "Iron Chef menu," stuffed with tempura oyster and acai, and topped with salmon and white tuna. For dessert, have a bowl of green tea, red bean or strawberry ice cream. At this Greenpoint sushi joint, there is something for everyone. Open daily for lunch and dinner.

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**Hamachi:** yellowtail fish  
**Kamaboko:** crab stick  
**Maki:** sushi roll  
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**Tenzen**  
7116 18th Ave. at 71st Street in Bensonhurst, (718) 621-3238 (AmEx, Disc, MC, Visa) Entrees: \$10.95-\$24.95  
The intimate tables have made eating at Tenzen a cozy experience since it opened in 2002. Sit at one of the traditional Japanese tables, shoes off, stop a ski-scooped pile of one of Chef Leo Lin's special-

ties is the crispy salmon "panabo," a fresh piece of salmon fried in pineapple miso sauce. The result is a crispy outer layer, coating a soft, flaky, spicy piece of succulent salmon on the inside. Add the dimly lit paper lanterns and traditional Japanese paper screens, eating at Tenzen is simple and elegant on any day of the week. Open daily for lunch and dinner.

**Zenkichi**  
77 N. Sixth St. at Wythe Avenue in Williamsburg, (718) 388-8985, [www.zenkichi.com](http://www.zenkichi.com) (AmEx, MC, Visa) Entrees: \$5.50-\$18 or \$44 for a 5-course tasting menu. \*  
Hidden behind wooden planks lies Zenkichi, a modern, Tokyo-style eatery named after owner Motoko Watanabe's grandfather. Opened in 2006, Watanabe refers to the restaurant, which she co-owns with her husband, as a "Japanese brasserie." Chefs Misao Sano and Tetsuya Aikawa offer "sakejo" miso black cod with pearl onions and shikata mushrooms, as well as carpaccio tuna with a "yuzu" (citrus fruit) dressing. Open for dinner Wednesday through Sunday. Closed Mondays and Tuesdays.

## BROOKLYN Eats

**Blue Ribbon Sushi**  
278 Fifth Ave. at First Street in Park Slope, (718) 840-0408, [www.blueribbonsushi.com](http://www.blueribbonsushi.com) (AmEx, DC, Disc, MC, Visa)  
Average price per person: \$45  
If it's late and you're craving a spicy tuna roll, head to Blue Ribbon Sushi, which opened in 2001 as part of the culinary empire of brothers Bruce and Eric Bloom. (They also own Blue Ribbon locations in Manhattan and Brooklyn, another sushi restaurant by the same name in Manhattan, and Blue Ribbon Bakery.) Try executive chef Toshi Ueki's Blue Ribbon roll, a tasty treat made with steamed lobster, Japanese mint and caviar. There's an extensive selection of melt-in-your-mouth fish from the Atlantic and Pacific, as well as a huge sake list. Open daily for dinner until midnight.

**Cube 63**  
234 Court St. at Baltic Street in Cobble Hill, (718) 243-2208, [www.cube63.com](http://www.cube63.com) (Disc, MC, Visa) Entrees: \$16-\$35  
This tiny Japanese cuisine restaurant, open since October 2005, features decor that is modern without pretension, according to co-owner Suzanne Lai. Cube 63 offers a menu of fresh sushi together with other Asian-influenced entrees. Co-owners and chefs Ben and Ken Lau recommend the "omakase," chef's choice, which is a three-course meal that ends with a dish of ice cream. Especially popular in the colder months, says Lai, are the volcano roll, a delicious fusion with spicy crab and shrimp and served with eel sauce over rice; and the spicy seafood soup: a bowl of scallops, shrimp, octopus and squid in a miso broth. Open Mondays through Fridays for lunch and dinner, and weekends from 2 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

**Hibino**  
333 Henry St. at Pacific Street in Cobble Hill, (718) 260-8052, [www.hibino-brooklyn.com](http://www.hibino-brooklyn.com) (MC, Visa) Entrees: \$12-\$14  
Hibino, which opened its doors in

**Kotobuki**  
192 Columbia St. at Sackett Street in Red Hook, (718) 246-7982, [www.kotobukibistro.com](http://www.kotobukibistro.com) (AmEx, MC, Visa) Entrees: \$9-\$18  
Kotobuki owner Cyndi Cheung told GO Brooklyn her customers love the unique rolls. Some favorites of the eight-year-old eatery include "tuna to," slices of the fish atop lightly fried bread cubes, "goramari" tuna, an appetizer of tuna sautéed with eggplant, thinly sliced fuke and served with a "ponzu" sauce, or mango rolls — eel and cucumber surrounded by pieces of mango. Daily lunch specials offered. Catering and delivery available. Open daily for lunch and dinner.

**Kyoto Sushi**  
161 Nassau Ave. at Diamond Street in Greenpoint, (718) 383-8882 (MC, Visa) Entrees: \$8.95-\$19.95  
With new sushi specials every month, this restaurant, which opened in 2007, never gets boring. Try Chef Tashi's "Rocky Mountain" roll with spicy, crunchy

\* = Full review available at [www.BrooklynPaper.com](http://www.BrooklynPaper.com)  
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Rosé wines, dry, not sweet, are the "official" casual warm weather quaffs in winemaking countries all over the world, including, more and more, the United States. Crisp, aromatic, lively and flavorful, a cool glass of rosé goes with almost any of the foods we love to eat in summer: salads, sandwiches, cold cuts, a cold roast chicken, fish, shrimp. It's the wine to take along on a picnic, and the wine that can make any meal eaten with it seem like it is a picnic!

Rosé wines are made in several ways. Usually, red grapes are pressed and their skins, which contain the pigment that gives the wine color, is allowed to soak in the juice before fermentation begins. This has the added benefit of allowing some tannins (found in the skins, seeds and stems of grapes) to also be absorbed into the juice. Tannins, natural preservatives,

help to give wines balance, and prevent oxidation. The process of converting animal skins into leather is called tanning because it uses tannins to remove traces of fat and blood from the skins. Because red wine are made by fermenting the juice of the grapes along with the skins, they are higher in tannins than white wines, and are better matches with red meats. Rosé wines, having more tannins than white wines, will complement lighter meats, or even cold roast beef.

Some Rosés are made by adding a bit of red wine to white. Most of the rosé Champagne on the market is made this way.

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Show, 10 am to 4 pm. Shore Road between 69th and 72nd streets, Bay Ridge. (718) 748-9848.

**WATERFRONT MUSEUM:** Housed aboard the last remaining covered wooden barge, museum presents the exhibit "Destination: Red Hook." Learn the history of the tug and barge era. \$5. 1 pm to 5 pm. 200 Conover St. (718) 624-4719.

**KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY:** Snacks. Mellon Gallery hosts an art auction and fundraiser. \$250 admission plus a guest. A work of art to take home is included in ticket price. Betting window opens at 4 pm; race post time at 5:38 pm. Auction at 6:30 pm. 92 Plymouth St. (718) 634-6761.

**RECEPTION:** Ensemble Pample-

mouse performs at NurtureArt Gallery. Closing reception for "Serial Meditations," an exhibit which focuses on drawing and sculpture and investigates the meditative properties of repetition and seriality. 910 Grand St. Call for time. (718) 782-7755. Free.

### SUN, MAY 4

#### OUTDOORS AND TOURS

**UNDERGROUND MUSE:** Green-Wood Cemetery hosts a tour of its trees, ponds and sculptures, by the leading artists and architects of their time. Walk may be fully. \$15. \$10 members. \$8 seniors. 1 pm. Meet at Fifth Avenue and 25th Street. (718) 886-8500.

**BATTLE HILL AND BACK:** Historic Fund of Green-Wood Cemetery takes a tour of the graves of Leonard Bernstein, Fannie the Dog, as well as Minerva, the

restored Civil War Soldiers' Monument and the highest point in Brooklyn. \$10. \$5 members. 1 pm. Meet at Fifth Avenue and 25th Street. (718) 768-7300.

**HUNT FOR WILD ASPARAGUS:** Wildman Steve Brill leads his Wild Food and Ecology Tour. Search for asparagus in Marine Park. \$15. \$10 kids 12 and younger. 1 pm to 4 pm. Reservations required. (914) 835-2153.

**FIVE RING BIKES TOUR:** Annual event travels 42 miles throughout NYC, using car-free streets, highways and bridges. Register at [www.bikemuseum.org](http://www.bikemuseum.org) or call (212) 912-8062.

#### PERFORMANCE

**CHORAL MUSIC:** Union Temple of Brooklyn hosts a performance to celebrate 60 years of Israel in song. Shir Chadash performs music with the influence of many cultures: Middle Eastern, eastern European, Sephardic, Italian, Russian and others. \$15.

2 pm, 17 Eastern Pkwy. (718) 638-7600.

**BARGE MUSIC:** Music program: "Here and Now: American Contemporary Music Series." The

Flux Quartet performs. \$35. \$30 seniors and \$15 students. 4 pm. Fulton Ferry Landing, Old Fulton Street at the East River. (718) 624-2083.

**GOSSIP CONCERT:** Lafayette Inspirational Ensemble performs. \$15 adults, \$10 seniors and kids. 4:30 pm. Lafayette Ave Presbyterian Church, 85 S. Oxford St. (718) 626-7515.

**SHAKESPEARE:** "Two Gentlemen of Verona." 2 pm. See Sat., May 3. **GALLERY PLAYERS:** "Man of La Mancha." 3 pm. See Sat., May 3. **ENDGAME:** 3 pm. See Sat., May 3. **ST. ANN'S WAREHOUSE:** "The Walworth Force." 8 pm. See Sat., May 3.

#### OTHER

**SPRING FEST:** Gowanus Canal CDC

hosts the Court Street Spring Festival. 10 am to 6 pm. Court Street, from President Street to West Ninth Street. (718) 444-6028.

**BROOKLYN FLEA:** The Flea, a weekly artisan showcase, features vendors of vintage furniture, clothing and antiques alongside new designs by local

makers of everything from jewelry to textiles. BklynLaughlin Memorial High School, Lafayette Avenue between Clermont and Vanderbilt avenues. 10 am to 5 pm. [www.brooklynflea.com](http://www.brooklynflea.com).

**HOUSE TOUR:** 29th annual self-guided Fort Greene house tour. \$25. Noon to 5 pm. Fort Greene Park, BAM Garden, Fulton and Lafayette streets or Brooklyn Flea, Lafayette and Clermont avenues. [www.fortgreentour.org](http://www.fortgreentour.org).

**JEWISH HERITAGE CELEBRATION:** Brooklyn Public Library's Central branch presents "Shoes and Socks: On Holocaust and Memory." 1:30 pm. Also, Israel at 60. 4 pm. Grand Army Plaza.

(718) 230-2100. Free.

**OUTDOOR BBQ:** Mexican barbecue with Truening Norberto

Bard College. 10 am to 4 pm. Flatbush Farm, 76-78 St. Marks Ave. (718) 624-6761.

**MAYPOLE DANCE:** Probus Gowanus hosts its annual event. 3 pm. 543 Union St. (718) 572-5722. Free.

**ISRAELI FILM FEST:** at Shorefront TM-WHA. \$5. 3:00 Conover Island Ave. Call for time. (718) 644-1444, ext. 326.

**DANCE PARTY:** Reveal Reveal Sundays. \$10. 10 pm. LXX Lounge, 15 Fulton Ave. (718) 930-1316.

**STREET SLAM:** Extreme action. 3 pm. See Sat., May 3.

### MON, MAY 5

**PAUL SIMON:** Paul Simon in conversation with Philip Glass. \$15. \$10 Friends of BAM. 7 pm. BAM Harvey Theater, 451 Fulton St. (718) 634-4100.

### TUES, MAY 6

**DANCE TECHNIQUE:** Brooklyn Arts Exchange offers "The Education of the Body: A Klein-Mahler Technique Workshop." \$100 for six weeks; \$20 per drop-in session. 7 pm to 9 pm. Tuesdays, through June 10. 421 Fifth Ave. Registration required. (718) 832-0018.

**BOOKCOURT:** presents a reading with Fiona Maazel. "Last Left Chance." 7 pm. 143 Court St. (718) 875-3677. Free.

**ENDGAME:** Brooklyn Academy of Music presents Samuel Beckett's "Endgame." John Turturro stars along with Max Casella, Elaine Stritch and Alvin Epstein. \$25 to \$75. 7:30 pm. BAM Harvey Theater, 451 Fulton St. (718) 634-4100.

**EVENING OF AMUSEMENTS:** PS 107 hosts comedian-author John Hodgman as part of fundraiser. \$15. 7:30 pm. 1301 Eighth Ave. [www.ps107.org](http://www.ps107.org).

**ADULT EDUCATION:** Humorous lecture series takes on the topic of "Babier and American Industry." Speakers include Pamela Paul, Charles Sae and more. \$5. 8 pm. Union Hall, 702 Union St. (718) 638-4400.

### WEDS, MAY 7

**PLANT SALE:** Brooklyn Botanic Garden hosts its annual event, featuring over 20,000 plants. 9 am to 7 pm. 1000 Washington Ave. (718) 623-7200.

**WOMEN'S HEALTH:** In observance of Mother's Day, NY Methodist Hospital offers a health fair for women. Screenings and health and nutrition information available. 11 am to 2 pm. 263 Seventh Ave. (718) 780-5367. Free.

**DOCUMENTARY:** Brooklyn Borough President Mark Markowitz honors Brooklyn poet Laureate Ken Siegelman with a showing of "Fading to Zero," a documentary depicting the work and life of Siegelman. 6:30 pm. Kingsborough Community College, Leon Goldstein Theater, 2001 Oriental Blvd. (718) 996-2912. Free.

**POETRY READING:** with Tony Towse and Michael Madigan. Somerville. 6:30 pm. Cecl, 191 Smith St. (718) 643-9911.

**THAI ESSENTIALS:** Center for Kosher Culinary Arts hosts a cooking class. \$70. 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. 1487 Coney Island Ave. (718) 513-9934.

**LECTURE:** Society of Old Brooklynians presents theater historian Cesar Del Valle in a talk: "Brooklyn's Smallest Theater." 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm. Supreme Court Building, Court and Montague streets. (646) 873-0711. Free.

**BRIC STUDIO:** presents singer-songwriter Hal Willner in "Bill Withers Project." \$12. \$10 students. 8 pm. 647 Fulton St. (718) 855-7862.

**ENDGAME:** 7:30 pm. See Sat., May 10.

### THURS, MAY 8

**THAI ESSENTIALS:** Center for Kosher Culinary Arts hosts a cooking class. \$70. 11 am to 2 pm. 1487 Coney Island Ave. (718) 513-9934.

**OPENING:** "Transformations: Celebrating 150 Years of Manufacturing" is an exhibit that looks at both the evolution of manufacturing businesses along the Gowanus Canal. \$6. \$4 students and seniors. 9:30 am to 7:30 pm. Brooklyn Historical Society, 128 Pierrepont St. (718) 222-4111. Free.

**BOOKCOURT:** presents a reading with Jurgis Labris. "Unscathed Earth." 7 pm. Brooklyn Heights Montessori School, 185 Court St. (718) 875-3677. Free.

**BARNES AND NOBLE:** presents author Elise Lovenman in a discussion about her book "Geography and Rob Stories: Life Lessons from Little Brothers." 7 pm. 106 Court St. (718) 246-4796.

**SHAKESPEARE:** Brooklyn College Department of Theater presents "Two Gentlemen of Verona." \$5. 7:30 pm. Garfield Theater, 2900 Bedford Ave. (718) 951-4500.

**FREEBIRD BOOKS:** David Hajdu discusses his new work "The Ten-Cent Plague: The Great Comic-Book Scare and How It Changed America." Talk will be accompanied by slide show and film short. 7:30 pm. 123 Columbia St. (718) 643-8464. Free.

**OPERA:** American Opera Project presents "Composers and The Voice: First Closures," new songs from young composers. \$15. \$12 seniors, 8 pm. 300 Oxford St. (718) 624-2083.

**THE BRICK:** presents the preview of "Babylon Babylon," a mix of Herodotus, Carl B. Dahlstrom, Kenneth Anger, Richard Schickel and others. \$15. 8 pm. 575 Montefiore Ave. (718) 352-3101.

**BARGE MUSIC:** Jazz Night with Jim Giallone and Fred Hersch. \$35. \$30 seniors and students. 8 pm. Fulton Ferry Landing, Old Fulton Street at the East River. (718) 624-2083.

**PLANT SALE:** Brooklyn Botanic Garden hosts its annual event. 9 am to noon. See Weds., May 7.

**ENDGAME:** 7:30 pm. See Sat., May 10.

**GALLERY PLAYERS:** "Man of La Mancha." 8 pm. See Sat., May 10.

### FRI, MAY 9

**BOOK SALE:** Thousands of Books, CDs, Records, Videos and more. Preview from 9 am to 10 am; \$10 admission. 10 am to 4 pm; free admission. First Unitarian Congregational Society, 501 Montrose St. (718) 624-5566.

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Even Clermont and Vanderbilt avenues (in Fort Greene) is moving ahead with an impressive new array of food vendors. Beginning Sunday, May 4, **Pickles** will serve Brooklyn-made products, including pickled cucumbers, pickles, pickled onions, pickled mushrooms, and Bluehouse Pickles; starting May 11, **Wheel Marle Ice Cream** will dish out three flavors (plus one sorbet); and later in the month, **Brooklyn Brewery**, helmed by a Boerum Hill-based brewer, will sell its interesting selections of breads at the weekly market.

Drop into the **BAMCafe** on Wednesday, May 14 to get "uncorked." New York and Long Island vineyards and breweries—**including Sixpoint** and **Brooklyn Brewery**—will be showcasing uncorked samples of their hooch at "Brooklyn Uncorked," and local eateries such as **Smoke Joint**, **Stonehome Wine Bar** and **Flatbush Farm** provide the food. Tickets are \$50 and available at [www.brownpapertickets.com/event/26417](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/26417).

Get a hot tingling tip? Drop us a line at [CB@brooklynmag.com](mailto:CB@brooklynmag.com).

—Adam Rattner

"America has always seemed to hate its poets," said Ken Keselov, a Gravesend resident and Brooklyn's poet laureate. But to see a film done about me — it's really given me a new case on life.

"Fading to Zero," will have its world premiere at Kingsborough Community College on May 7. It brings to life the work of Siegelman, who taught poetry at Abraham Lincoln High School for 33 years, to the big screen.

Directed by Hollywood heavyweight Silvana Gallardo — formerly of the TV series *Baywatch* and *Baywatch Nights* — the film takes the poems from Siegelman's 10th book, "City Souls," and turns them into celluloid vignettes.

"It's humbling," said Siegelman. "I'm aware of only one other American poet who they made a movie about, Charles Bukowski. But he was a controversial figure."

"Fading to Zero" will premiere at 6 p.m. on May 7 at Kingsborough Community College's Performing Arts Center (3101 Oriental Blvd. at Queens Street in Manhattan Beach). Free. For more information, call 718-339-8250 or visit [www.kbcc.cuny.edu](http://www.kbcc.cuny.edu).

—Adam Ratzke

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Full Day (half day also available for younger campers)  
**Activities:** classic day camp, circus camp, puppetry, hands-on science, theater, athletics, and much more. One-week mini camps. Swimming also offered. Ask about one and two week mini-camps — "Let's Dance" and "In and out of the Pool"

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**Activities:** swimming (instructional and recreational), arts and crafts, music, nature, sports, gymnastics, circus arts, trips 2 days per week

**Movin' On Travel Camp**  
**Director:** Bobbie Finkelstein  
June 30 through Aug 15  
**Ages:** entering 5th - 9th grades  
**Full day:** 9 am - 5 pm  
**Extended hours:** 8 am - 6 pm  
**Activities:** Daily trips, swimming, two 3-day overnights, pre-CTT program for kids entering 9th grade

### Brooklyn Friends Summer Program

375 Pearl St., Downtown  
(718) 852-1029, ext 228  
**Ages:** 2 - 12 years  
June 18 - Aug 1  
**Activities:** Hands-on science, swimming, woodworking, tennis, dance, wearable art, sculpture, art animation, and more.

### Huggs Summer Program

763 President St., Park Slope  
(718) 230-5255  
**Directors:** Randie Bader and Gary Siegel  
**Ages:** 2.5 - 5 years  
June 20 - Aug 1  
**Full day:** 9 am - 4 pm  
**Half day:** 9 am - noon or 1 pm - 4 pm  
**Activities:** private backyard with water play equipment, trips, art, music, indoor gym.

### Kim's Kid's Summer Camp

PS 321, 7th Ave., Park Slope  
(718) 768-6419  
**Director:** Dan Moinester  
**Ages:** 4-12 - 11  
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# PARENT

## Miley and Teen Spirit she things

It's the same old story, isn't it? The hot "it" girl has a record or film or book or sex video to promote so she poses half-naked in a national magazine. There's the predictable hue and cry about America's declining values and the predictable apology. But the record or film or book or sex video goes on to huge success, so the half-naked photo is quickly forgotten.

Not this time. This time, the "it" girl was 15-year-old Miley Cyrus, whose alter ego, Hannah Montana, was supposed to be different. Her "character" is the one who always plays it clean (even as she made millions for Disney).

So why did she do it?

There's the obvious: Because all of Cyrus's parent figures — from Disney to her agents to the celebrity photographer Annie Leibovitz to Cyrus's well-known better-sister-pen-pal father — care more about the fictional Hannah than they do about the real Miley.

Indeed, if you watch the "behind the scenes" footage on the Vanity Fair Web site, you can see Miley's dad, Billy Ray Cyrus, chatting amiably with the famous photographer Annie Leibovitz and her staff. Clearly nothing was troubling him at the time.

But after the photos were flashed all over the world, the fingers started pointing.

Disney, which has been

### SMART mom

By Louise Crawford



milking the Cyrus cash cow for years, blasted Vanity Fair with a statement: "A situation was created to deliberately manipulate a 15-year-old in order to sell magazines."

Isn't that the pot calling the kettle exploitive?

Indeed, blaming Vanity Fair is like blaming the warden for crime: Anyone who sits for Leibovitz knows the Faustian bargain.

Got a record to promote, honey? Take that top off and let's see if we can help.

Yet, many scolds are blaming Miley. But to Smartmom's way of thinking, Cyrus is the victim in this American Kabuki.

And Smartmom knows because her 16-year-old son, Teen Spirit, just shaved his head.

No, that's not metaphor. The other night Teen Spirit called and told Hepcat that he shaved his head.

"Not exactly shaved. But my hair is really, really short," he said.

Smartmom nearly fainted when she saw her firstborn looking like a military recruit. In recent years, Teen Spirit has hid behind his hair like Violet in "The Incredibles." It's been his invisibility shield; the sheath that protects him from the world.

But that was then, this is now.

And just as America asked Miley Cyrus, "Why did you do it?" Smartmom is wondering what could have been going through her son's mind.

And then she realized that this seemingly self-destructive act made all the sense in the world. Both Teen Spirit and Miley Cyrus are adolescents. Both felt the need to reinvent themselves and show the world that they were not defined by their public personas (in Miley's case, she's not happy always being Hannah Montana; in Teen Spirit's case, it was clearly time to throw off the look of the slacker dude who just doesn't care).

Who can blame either of them for wanting to reinvent themselves? Isn't that what being an adolescent is all about? Like Miley, Teen Spirit doesn't want to be a character in "The Smartmom and Hepcat Show" anymore. He wants to write his own sitcom (dramedy or miniseries) and create himself.

And that's the message of the Vanity Fair pictures: Sure, she's partly unclothed, but you can't see anything uncharacteristic.

Smartmom was sorry that Miley chose the pages of Vanity Fair to do her growing up. But then again, teens in Park Slope have to become adults under the skeptical gaze of their Park Slope parents, their badinsky parents' friends, and their neighbors (that's like Vanity Fair, right?)

Posing semi-nude for Annie Leibovitz, shaving your head on a whim. What's the difference? It's all about the growing up and trying to discover who you really are.

Indeed, Cyrus has nothing to apologize about — except perhaps the half-baked apology she made this week.

"[The photo shoot was supposed to be] 'artistic,' and now ... I feel so embarrassed," she said.

Embarrassed? About what? She may not be so high school

or live like a normal teen, but Miley Cyrus has every right to play with her inner and outer identity like every other kid.

Change your hair. Change your color. Change your persona. Change your mind.

It's all part of the identity game.

Now, if you want to cast blame, look no further than Disney, Vanity Fair, Annie Leibovitz and Billy Ray...

Louise Crawford writes "Only the Blog Knows Brooklyn," a Web site. She is also overseeing the third annual Brooklyn Blogfest on Thursday, May 8 at the Brooklyn Lyceum (Fourth Avenue between Union and President streets) at 8 p.m. Call (718) 857-5842 for info.

## Court: Park condos OK



By Mike McLaughlin

There will be housing in the park. Brooklyn Bridge Park, a housing, commercial and open space development along the Brooklyn Heights and DUMBO waterfront, cleared another hurdle this week, as the state Supreme Court unanimously upheld the state's plan to include private housing inside the 85-acre site's footprint.

The Brooklyn Bridge Park Defense Fund had sued to force the state to eliminate the controversial condominiums and hotel — parcels that would occupy about 10 acres of Brooklyn Bridge Park. Under this controversial scheme, residents and businesses in buildings on those parcels would pay fees in lieu of normal taxes, fees that are supposed to cover the maintenance budget for the open space.

The Defense Fund, which favors use of the site as a publicly accessible park without housing, argued that including condos in a public park violated the "Public Trust Doctrine," which forbids private encroachment on public spaces.

But the court turned away the arguments on similar grounds as the 2006 case between the Defense Fund and the Brooklyn Bridge Park Development Corporation, the state agency charged with the park's construction.

In court documents released last Thursday, Justice Robert Spolizio, Howard Miller, Mark Dillon and Ruth Balkin wrote, "Contrary to the petitioners' contentions, the public trust doctrine does not prohibit residential uses that are merely adjacent to public parkland."

The park's opponents said they intended to fight on, taking the case to the state's highest court, the Court of Appeals.

"We're missing the truth," said Judi Francis president of the Brooklyn Bridge Park Defense Fund. "The condos are up against places where people normally would have been sunbathing or playing ball or listening to the radio. They're missing the forest, if you will, for the condos."

The court decision comes as more signs of physical progress are being made inside the park's footprint.

Demolition crews have fully torn apart the shed on Pier 1, just south of the Brooklyn Bridge.

## NETS...

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arena, which once had a \$430-million price tag, but will now cost \$930 million. But the developer has said that while much of the larger project is in jeopardy, he would build the arena.

His lawyers are not so sure. As reported in The Brooklyn Paper, Forest City Ratner executive Andrew Silberstein said in a court affidavit earlier this year that "there is a serious question as to whether, given the current state of the debt market, the underwriters will be able to proceed with the financing for the arena."

On Wednesday, Rubenstein told the Star-Ledger that Silberstein's assessment was no longer accurate.

"We are very confident we will get the funds necessary for the arena," Ratner said through his mouthpiece.

A spokesman for Goldman Sachs said that the financing deal would close by the end of September.

But that could also change, given the spiraling costs of the arena. The higher the price tag for the stadium, the harder it will be to make a profit, said George Zoffinger, former chief executive of the New York Sports Authority.

When you start to spend north of \$500 million for an arena, you can't generate the cash flow necessary to generate a decent return on the investment," Zoffinger told the Star-Ledger.

"If the number is \$900 million, it's absolutely, positively not viable from an economic standpoint."

## BARBER...



Tony's Park Barber Shop, at 4409 Fifth Ave., is an old-school place that Tony Garofalo has owned for 40 years.

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gin?" The act over, he related, and Guzman sat down for his trim.

Guzman, 46, brought his children to the barber shop — and one time even his wife. He described Garofalo as "a good talker, and a good listener too."

Garofalo dismissed the praise: "I don't get paid for therapy. Sometimes not even for the haircut."

Despite the occasional disorder, Tony "Felice" Garofalo has done well for himself. He left Italy after World War II and stayed in Switzerland until he was 26, emigrating to Brooklyn in 1964.

Within a week of his arriving, Garofalo got a job in what is now his barber shop, located on Fifth Avenue between 44th and 45th streets. He bought it less than a year later, for \$1,800, from another Italian immigrant.

Working a second job loading beer trucks, he bought the building several years later for \$35,000. He now owns the solo and the seven apartments above it. Garofalo's English today bears the imprint of both Italy and Brooklyn. Speaking of his customers who return for haircuts, he said, "They still a come here — from Staten Island, from New Jersey."

These days, most of his customers are Spanish speakers. But when Garofalo arrived there were more Italian immigrants than Puerto Ricans, according to the 1960 census. But starting in the 1970s, Sunset Park began transforming into a largely Latino neighborhood. Today, 53 percent of the neighborhood is Hispanic — primarily Puerto Rican, Mexican and Dominican, according to the Census.

In a two-hour span on a Friday, Garofalo's customers included two Puerto Ricans, one Mexican, and one non-Latino. Pleased with his haircut, Guzman declared, "He always does make me look good."

Garofalo chimed him, "I gotta work hard to make you look good — matter of fact, very hard."

Taking one more look in the mirror, Guzman smiled. "Gracias, Papá," he said. There was no need to translate.

## FAMILY CALENDAR

Compiled by Susan Rosenthal Jay

**SATURDAY, MAY 3**  
10 am-3 pm: Baitz Street carnival between Court and Clinton streets in Cobble Hill. \$20 for an all-day pass, or pay as you go. Call (718) 237-1862 for info.  
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**SUNDAY, MAY 4**  
11 am-4 pm: Animal habitats and kids' art projects. Prospect Park Zoo (enter on Flatbush Avenue just north of Empire Boulevard). \$8, \$4 seniors, \$3 kids. Call (718) 399-7339 for info.  
11 am-2 pm: Science day. PS107 (1301 Eighth Ave., between 13th and 14th streets in Park Slope). Call (718) 330-9340 for info.

**MONDAY, MAY 5**  
4 pm: "A Short History (Scouta Island)" "Cobble Hill Cinema" (260 Court St., at Butler Street in Cobble Hill). \$6.50. Call (646) 243-2480 for info.  
11 am-2 pm: Art workshop. Prospect Museum (200 Eastern Pkwy., at Washington Avenue in Prospect Heights). \$8, free for members and kids 12 and younger. Call (718) 638-5000 for info.  
11 am: Dr. Seuss story time. Barnes and Noble (106 Court Street in Downtown Brooklyn). Free. Call (718) 246-4996 for info.

**TUESDAY, MAY 6**  
12:30 pm and 2:30 pm: "Pinocchio." See Saturday, May 3.  
11:30 am and 1:30 pm: Cookie decorating class. Center for Kosher Culinary Arts (1407 Convent Island Ave., at Avenue J in Midwood). Kids early session; teens late session. Call (718) 513-9924 for info.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 7**  
11 am and 2 pm: Art workshop. See Saturday, May 3.  
12:30 pm and 2:30 pm: "Pinocchio." See Saturday, May 3.

**THURSDAY, MAY 8**  
1 pm: Kids Sunday. Prospect Park's Children's Center (enter park at Flatbush Avenue and Empire Boulevard). Families are invited to enjoy readings, story-themed arts and crafts, story-telling, make-a-plate and more. Call (718) 628-7700 for info.

**FRIDAY, MAY 9**  
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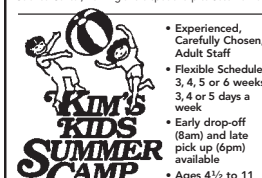
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# Edge of his seat

John Turturro huffs, puffs & brings the house down in BAM's new 'Endgame'

By Adam Rathe  
The Brooklyn Paper

In the iconic 1980s and '90s television series "Doogie Howser, M.D.," Max Casella's character, Vinnie, was constantly crawling in through the window of the show's little character. In the Brooklyn Academy of Music's new production of Samuel Beckett's "Endgame," Casella, playing Clov, opens the show at a pair of windows. This time, however, he's peering through a set of bars, staring out into a post-Apocalyptic wasteland.

Casella flips from window to window and, when satisfied that the sky is gray and the ocean is still as always, moves to the center of the stage where Hamm (John Turturro, "Romance & Cigarettes"), his wheelchair-bound and blind employer, friend, enemy and father figure, sits covered by a sheet. As Hamm's conv-

## THEATER

"Endgame" runs now through May 18 at the BAM Harvey Theater (651 Fulton St. at Rockwell Place in Fort Greene). Tickets are \$25 to \$75. For information, call (718) 636-4100 or visit www.bam.org.

ering is removed, so begins another long, trying day of arguments, threats and nothingness. Everything here—in the fine tradition of Beckett's work—is both sad and comic; Hamm can't walk and Clov is unable to sit, and Hamm's parents, Nell (Elaine Stritch, "30 Rock") and Nagg (Alvin Epstein, "Law & Order") live in garage parlors at the front of the stage. Nell puts it best when she says, "Nothing is funnier than unhappiness."

As Hamm, Turturro—clad in orange pajamas, a fat-strimmed overcoat

and a hat—is brilliantly bitter and blustery. Whether offering his father a sugarplum (when there are none) to listen to a story, or berating Clov for any number of missteps, there's a gleefully sinister quality that makes Turturro's Hamm almost charming. Whether coddling with his three-legged stuffed dog or commanding Clov to wheel him to the exact center of the room, this Hamm lives up to his name as much as possible.

Indeed, all of the players are irresistible in their roles. Epstein as player Clov in the American premiere of "Endgame"—and Stritch, attempting to kiss across the distance that separates the bus and his wife, had couples in the audience cringing, and the way they played off of one another does not mention Turturro and Casella's was both erotic and endearing.

Beckett's works are, of course, not laugh riots. Nor are they warm and



Pet project: In the Brooklyn Academy of Music's production of "Endgame," directed by Andrei Belgrader, Clov (Max Casella) hurls a stuffed animal at Hamm (John Turturro).

fuzzy. So while the actors do a commendable job under the direction of Andrei Belgrader, "Endgame" is still almost two hours of dark, dreary, end-of-the-world drama.

After staging Beckett's "Happy

Days" earlier in the season, BAM has shown an admirable commitment to the playwright. It might not always be easy to sit through—especially on the prison-quality seats at the BAM Harvey Theater—but the work is

smart and important; so much so that BAM produced this show itself and scored serious star power to perform. It's a bet that paid off, and, unfortunately for Casella's Clov, is much grander to look on than out from.

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**VICTORY DAY CELEBRATION:** NY Association of Holocaust Survivors commemorates the 63rd anniversary of Victory Day, 5 pm to 11 pm. National Restaurant, 273 Brighton Beach Ave. Reservations required. (718) 644-1225.

**OPEN MC:** Students from Middle School 61 read from their original works. 6 pm. Barnes and Noble, 106 Court St. (718) 264-4976.

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**NARROWS THEATRE:** "And Then There Were None," 8 pm. See Sat., May 10. **DANCE:** "The Judgement of Paris," 8 pm. See Sat., May 10.

**STREB SLAM:** Extreme action. 8 pm. See Sat., May 10. **SHAKESPEARE:** Two Gentlemen of Verona. 7:30 pm. See Sat., May 10.

**ENDGAME:** 7:30 pm. See Sat., May 10. **GALLERY PLAYERS:** "Man of La

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**SAT. MAY 10**  
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**PERFORMANCE**  
**ENDGAME:** Brooklyn Academy of Music presents Samuel Beckett's "Endgame." John Turturro stars along with Max Casella, Elaine Stritch and Alan Epstein. \$25 to \$75. 2 pm, 7:30 pm. BAM Harvey Theater, 651

Old Fulton Street at the East River. (718) 624-2083.

**THE BRICK:** presents the preview of "Babylon Babylon," a mix of Herodotus, Cecil B. DeMille, Kenneth Anger, Richard Schickel and others. \$15, 8 pm. 575 Metropolitan Ave. (718) 352-3101.

**NARROWS THEATRE:** presents Agatha Christie's "And Then There Were None." \$15, \$12 seniors and children. 8 pm. St. Patrick's Auditorium, 97th Street and Fourth Avenue. (718) 482-3173.

**OTHER**  
**BOOK SALE:** Thousands of Books, CDs, Records, Videos and more. 9 am to 4 pm. First Unitarian Congregational Society, 50 Maxwell Pl. (718) 637-0412.

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**BKVN DESIGNS:** Exhibition of designers and manufacturers of contemporary furnishings, lighting, and accessories made and/or designed in Brooklyn, all handpicked by a jury of editors from leading design and shelter magazines. \$15, \$10 students, 10 am to 7 pm.

**EVENTS:** held in 4 locations: DUMBO Arts Center, 20 Washington St. and Smith Street. \$5, 2 pm and 8 pm. See Sat., May 10. **STREB SLAM:** Extreme action, blending dance, gymnastics, physics and the circus. \$20, \$10 kids, 3 pm and 7 pm. 511 N. First St. (718) 394-6491.

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**PERFORMANCE**  
**GREEN-WOOD CEMETERY:** Celebrate Mother's Day at Green-Wood with a trolley tour and concert. Performance by the Young Musicians of the Inter-school Orchestra of New York. \$20. Trolley tour from 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm; concert from 2:30 pm to 4 pm. (Concert is free.) 25th Street and Fifth Avenue. Reservations required. (718) 768-7300.

**MUSIC:** Brooklyn Public Library's Central branch presents The David Gluck Klemer Ensemble. 1:30 pm. Also, Brooklyn Singers, Brooklyn Singers with Amy London. London sings, tells stories and plays piano. 4 pm. Grand Army Plaza. (718) 230-2100. Free.

**CONCERT SERIES:** As part of Carnegie Hall Music Series, David Gluck Klemer Band performs at the MLI Basin Branch, Brooklyn Public Library. 3 pm. www.carnegiehall.org. Free.

**BRIC STUDIO:** presents singer-songwriter Hal Wilner in "Bill Wilner Project." \$12, \$10 students, 8 pm. 647 Fulton St. (718) 855-7882.

**SHAKESPEARE:** Two Gentlemen of Verona. 2 pm. See Sat., May 10. **NARROWS THEATRE:** "And Then There Were None." 3 pm. See Sat., May 10. **ENDGAME:** 3 pm. See Sat., May 10.

**GALLERY PLAYERS:** "Man of La Mancha." 3 pm. See Sat., May 10. **RYAN REPERTORY COMPANY:** "Ben—A Very Personal Account of Benjamin Franklin." 3 pm and 7 pm. See Sat., May 10.

**STREB SLAM:** Extreme action. 3 pm. See Sat., May 10. **BARGE MUSIC:** Classical music program. 4 pm. See Sat., May 10.

**OTHER**  
**BROOKLYN FEA:** This, an artisan showcase, features vendors of vintage furniture, clothing and antiques alongside new designs by local makers of everything from jewelry to textiles. Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School, Lafayette Avenue between Belmont and Vanderbilt avenues. 10 am to 5 pm. www.brooklynfea.org.

**BKVN DESIGNS:** 11 am to 6 pm. See Sat., May 10.

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## David Brenner performs at Lutheran's 125th gala

actor, author, and filmmaker. The annual event raises much-needed dollars for LHC health programs and community services. This year's event will support the expansion of Lutheran

Medical Center's Emergency Department Quick Care Program. Additionally, Michael Garzino, co-author of Newsday New York at 5 pm, will serve as the event's special guest emcee.

David Brenner is a stand-up comedian and talk show favorite, frequently appearing on programs including "The Tonight Show," "The Late Show with David Letterman," "Politically Incorrect with Bill Maher," CNN's "Paula Zahn Now," and "The Daily Show with John Stewart," among many others.

According to the "Book of Lists #2," he is the most frequent talk show guest of any entertainer. Brenner is the author of a number of books and HBO specials, including his most recent, "David Brenner: Back With a Vengeance."

Lutheran will host its 125th Anniversary Dinner Dance at Chelsea Piers on May 10 starting at 6:30 pm.

As the health system's primary fundraiser, the event raises much-needed dollars to support its wide-ranging health and community service programs.

The 2008 highlight honoree is Brett D. York, president and CEO of Netscape and Entertainer, LLC, for his service and commitment to Brooklyn's future. His current mission is to spearhead the Nets' move to the Frank Gehry-designed Banchay Center in Brooklyn, which will take place during calendar year 2010.

Additional presenting sponsors include the May Foundation and Gerald Ritter Ellen, Commerce Bank, The Mount

Sinai Medical Center, and Forest City Ratner Companies. The Lutheran HealthCare Dinner Dance serves three very important purposes: to celebrate Lutheran's 125th anniversary of providing quality care to the communities of Brooklyn, to honor special individuals who have made tremendous contributions to Lutheran and the communities we serve, and to raise much-needed funds.

In recognition of Lutheran's 125th anniversary, the event will also honor the health system's medical and dental staff presidents throughout the year.

For more information about Lutheran's 125th Anniversary Dinner Dance or to learn about ticket and sponsorship opportunities, contact the LHC Development Office at 718-630-6245.





